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# 90,000 REDS CROSS KWANGTUNG FRONTIER

## BRAVE DEFENCE BY CANTONESE

### DESPERATE FIGHTING ON LONG FRONT

#### REINFORCEMENTS RUSH NORTH

#### TOWNS SURRENDER

Canton, Oct. 25. Cantonese troops are being rushed to the north frontier to resist the invasion threat from 90,000 Red troops who have retreated out of Kiangsi and who now are desperately trying to penetrate the Kwangtung frontier defences.

According to some reports the Reds have advanced a considerable distance into Kwangtung and several towns have surrendered to them.

The Cantonese troops which have come into contact with the invaders have fought with the utmost gallantry. One brigade which attempted to hold out against the advance was practically annihilated.

Shikwan is the point at which the Government reinforcements are being concentrated.

Refugees are pouring into Canton.

#### WAR ON LONG FRONT

Canton, Oct. 25. According to the latest report from Shikwan, fighting is developing on all fronts extending from Tayu, near Shikwan to Chumming, where the Reds are battering the Cantonese defence lines with their full strength.

Fighting around An-yang was in progress on Tuesday. The Government troops were compelled to give up Panshi and Chumshih after a severe battle, during which one brigade of Cantonese troops under the command of General Chen Chang was almost entirely annihilated.

Meanwhile, the Reds besieged An-yang with increased intensity until the heroic defenders of the city made a desperate attempt to break through the cordon of the besiegers at their weak point.

An-yang has since fallen into the hands of the Reds.

The Second Air Squadron under the command of General Ting-Chieh flew to Tayu on Tuesday, while another air squadron started for the north from Canton early yesterday morning.

With the arrival of the air force, General Yu Han-mao, Field-Commander at the front, is prepared to launch a combined counter-attack against the Reds by land and air to-day.—*Central News and Special.*

## DOES CHINA WANT GOLD STANDARD?

### BRITISH OPINION IN MONEY MUDDLE

Washington, Oct. 24. Observers here foresee a possible embarrassment for the Gold Bloc as an outcome of the recent currency developments in the Far East. The recent rapid gold appreciation in terms of sterling is considered temporary.

Japan's Budget, providing for the financing of the purchase of the Chinese Eastern Railway and for the relief of the distress caused by the recent typhoon disaster, in addition to the Chinese silver-moves, are all operating to cause a drop in yen exchange.

British opinion is that China ultimately desires to establish a gold standard.

Widespread hope exists that President Roosevelt's speech to the bankers to-night will be stimulating to business. A generally better feeling abroad is evident.—*Sloan, Culbertson and Fritz.*

### RECORD DIVE BY SUBMARINE

#### Rests On Sea Bed For Experiment

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Taranto, Oct. 24.

The 1,000-ton submarine, Galileo Ferraris, descended to a depth of 109 metres to-day and laid claim to a new world record dive without safety devices.

The submarine remained on the seabed twenty minutes and tested torpedo launching apparatus.—*United Press.*

## HEAVY LOSS IN SPANISH RED REVOLT

### CASUALTIES RUN INTO HUNDREDS

#### REBELS' DEAD UNESTIMATED

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Madrid, Oct. 24.

The heaviness of the casualties arising from the recent Spanish revolt and the continued guerilla warfare waged by the insurgent elements, is indicated in lists described as "incomplete" and published by the press to-day.

El Debate says that 288 members of the Government's forces, including police and soldiers, have been killed. Of these 161 belonged to the Civil Guards.

The dead include an army major and seven Civil Guard officers, among whom was a lieutenant-colonel. A lieutenant-colonel and major of Carabiniers were also slain.

The newspaper A.B.C. adds to this list 200 guards killed or wounded at Oviedo, where the fighting was particularly severe and the rebels entrenched themselves and held out under artillery fire for many hours.

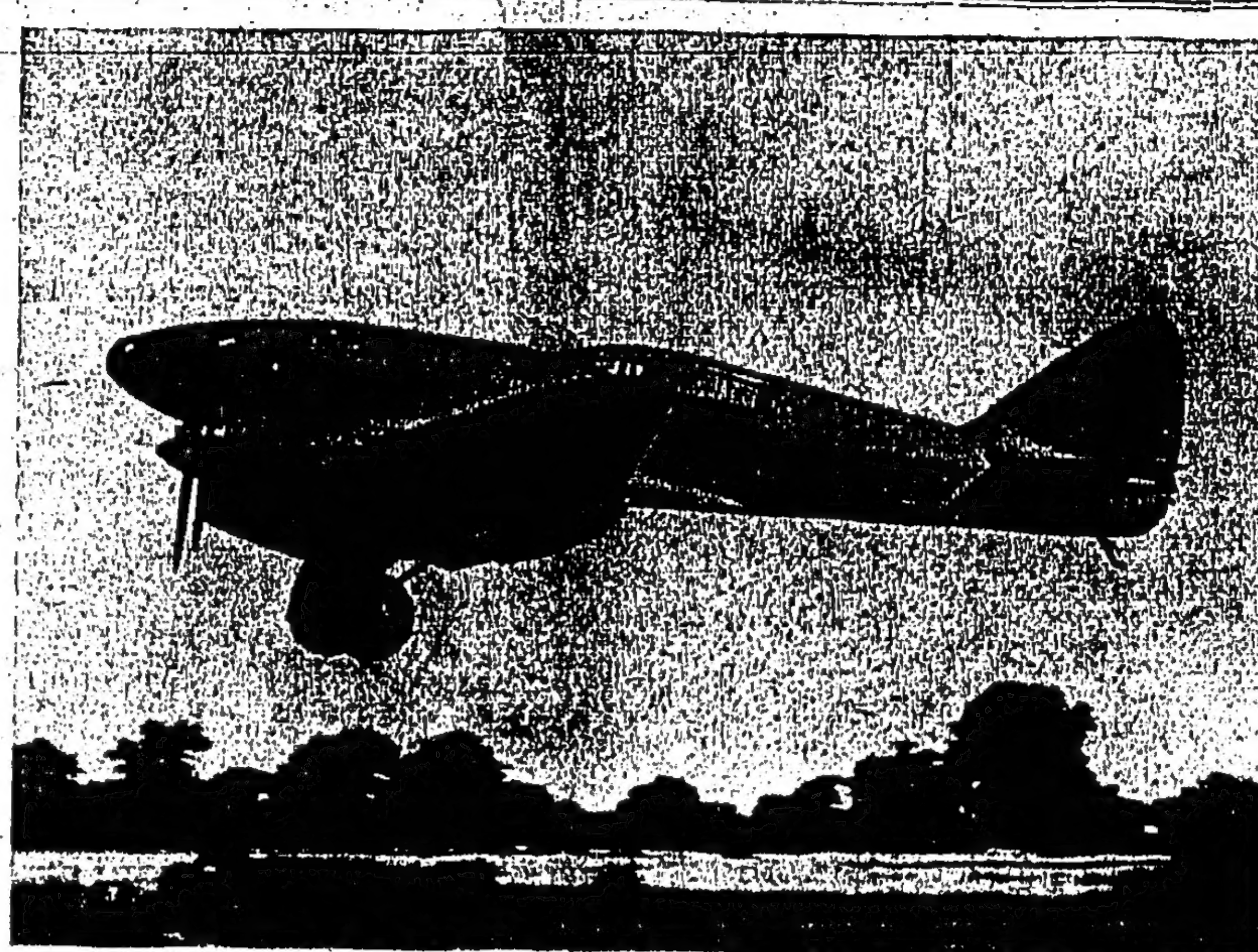
These figures take no account of the losses of the rebel side, which are known to have been heavy, probably three times as great as the Government's casualties.

Thirteen persons were shot by insurgents at Taron.

The possibility of a military dictatorship still disturbs the situation, and the continued unrest and the rebel outrages, such as the mining of roads and sniping of soldiers are causing leaders to consider desperate remedies.—*Reuter Special.*

#### IN WIRELESS TOUCH

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day:—Deucalion, Huashan Maru, Nan-chang, Duisburg, Katie Moller, Tsuyama Maru, Tigre, Holchow, Loslebank, Coblenz, Hakusan Maru, Bittern, Noto Maru General Pershing, President Jefferson, Kamo Maru.



Picture shows the de Havilland Comet long distance racing plane, fitted with two 200 h.p. Gipsy-Six engine which Scott and Campbell Black won the big race from England to Melbourne. (Photo by courtesy of Messrs. Arnold and Co., Ltd., local agents for de Havilland planes).

## JAPAN RIGID ON EQUALITY STAND

### NAVAL PARLEY FACES AN IMPASSE

#### AMERICA "SHOCKED"

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Washington, Oct. 24.

The Japanese demand for naval parity appears to be destined to follow a hard-sliding trail before the leaders of the United States Administration and the Navy Department accept even the principle of the argument. The Japanese demands run counter to the United States' position on almost every point.

Experts are of the opinion that the Japanese proposals will "amputate the heart of the Washington and London Treaties."

Japan's proposals would ultimately reduce the American Navy to a status little above that of a Coast Guard service, they claim.

Officials express the opinion that what the Japanese propose is an ideal and what they expect to get at the 1935 Naval Conference are two very different matters.—*United Press.*

#### AMERICA SHOCKED.

London, Oct. 24.

It is learned in American quarters that the rigidity of the Japanese attitude evinced at the naval conversations has shocked the American delegates, who are amazed at the extent of the Japanese demands.

The initiative for keeping the talks secret came from Mr. Norman Davis, the United States' chief delegate, who feared that publicity would prevent a Japanese retraction later.

It is learned that Japan, among other things, hinted at her intention to abrogate the Washington Treaty.

The United States delegation met and discussed the Japanese proposals in what is described as a distressed state of mind.—*Reuter.*

#### MORE CONVERSATIONS.

London, Oct. 24.

The Japanese and United States delegations were engaged in informal conversations to-day in connection with the series of bilateral conversations which are taking place in London preparatory to next year's Naval Conference.—*British Wireless.*

## Lost Flier Found In Desert Gaol

### AMERICANS HELD ON LANDING

#### AIR RACERS' PROGRESS

Basra, Oct. 25.

The mystery of the whereabouts of the American Lambert plane, piloted by John H. Wright of New York, has been cleared up to-day with the arrival of reports that it had landed, with engine trouble at Mohammerah, where the crew was immediately arrested.

They were detained in spite of their passports, issued by the Persian Legation in London.

Their release was ultimately effected by two British residents and the airmen spent last night at Shaliba, near Basra, having flown to the point.

They state, however, that the delay has extinguished any chance they might have had in the hand-to-hand race. They will continue to Calcutta, in any event.

Squadron Leader Stodart has just arrived at Basra, having been delayed by accidents. He hopped off again almost immediately.—*Reuter.*

#### LEAVES CALCUTTA.

Calcutta, Oct. 25. Squadron Leader Stodart left here at 9.15 p.m.

Fifteen minutes later the Danish flier, Lieut. Hansen, took off.—*Reuter.*

#### AT CHARLEVILLE.

Charleville, Oct. 25. Cathcart Jones and K.R.H. Waller, in a Comet, arrived here at 8.50 p.m. (G.M.T.).—*Reuter.*

#### STICK TO JOB.

Singapore, Oct. 25. The New Zealanders, J. D. Howett and C. E. Kay are sticking to a tough task and taking their D. H. Dragon steadily along the race route. They arrived safely at Alor Star to-day.—*Reuter.*

#### NO DECISION POSSIBLE.

A British Wireless message says: The result of the handicap event for which the first prize is £2,000, will not be known for some days as all pilots are allowed 10 days in which to reach Melbourne and only the actual flying time counts against the competitors.

Flying time includes all stops at places on route other than the 25 checking points, of which five are compulsory. The greatest handicap allowance is 42 hours 2 minutes 23 seconds to Hansen. Of those still left in the race, the winners, Scott and Black, have the lowest allowance, 35 minutes 24 seconds.

## INDIA CONGRESS AT CROSS-ROAD?

### GANDHI MAY BE OUSTED

#### CLASH OF WILLS OF FACTIONS

#### DANGEROUS PLAN OF RADICALS

(Special to "Telegraph")

Bombay, Oct. 25.

Tens of thousands of delegates to the Indian National Congress meet in annual convention here to-morrow.

Discussions on policy will centre around the personality of Mahatma Gandhi, for fifteen years virtual dictator of the Congress party. Recently there have been rumblings of revolt against his dictatorship. Gandhi heard them and expressed his desire to retire from the Congress.

Congress will decide whether or not he should retire. But delegates realize that if the Mahatma is to be retained as an active Congress force Congress must follow his policies of non-violence, of courage of home spinning, of weaving and village reorganization. Adoption by Congress of the more radical ideas of the party left-wingers would insure execution of Gandhi's threat to retire. Export observers are convinced that Gandhi will sway the conference as he has swayed many before and emerge more powerful than ever.

#### MASSES FOLLOW.

Recent demonstrations against Gandhi, they say, are isolated instances, whereas the masses of India still revere him as a saint. Last November a mob at Nagpur set upon the Mahatma and his party and bombarded them with eggs. During his later tour of the Central provinces orthodox Hindus protested against his advocacy of the Untouchables' cause by lying down in front of his automobile.

In May a mob of high caste Hindus stoned his automobile at Luxar on the Ganges, completely demolishing it.

If the Congress repudiates Gandhi and accepts his retirement, Congress' new leader is likely to be the comparatively young Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, now serving a prison sentence for sedition.

#### LEFT WING CHIEF.

The Pandit is the leading spirit in the Left Wing socialist and communist elements of the Congress. A graduate of Oxford, and widely travelled, Pandit Jawaharlal wants to make India a socialist state. He would socialize the means of production, distribution and exchange, and control the economic life of the country by systematic planning.

He would eliminate landlordism and the Indian princes, redistribute land to the peasants, cancel agriculturists' debts, assure labour a living wage, an eight-hour day and give them the right to strike. First he would have to seize power from the British Raj, and his policy provides for no negotiation with the British Government at any time.

Gandhi, on the contrary, agrees to partial co-operation with the present British government of India to the extent of electing Congress representatives to the Indian legislature. He favours establishment of better relations between landlord and tenant but opposes elimination of landlords or princes. Such class war, he says, is foreign to the essential genius of India and cannot be carried on while India is fighting an "alien bureaucracy."

#### TIMES CHANGE.

This will be the fifth time the Congress has met in Bombay, its birthplace. In its early days 500 to 1,000 politicians attended an-

## DEMOCRATS SURPRISED

### CALIFORNIA'S STRAW VOTE

#### SINCLAIR NOT SO POPULAR

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Washington, Oct. 24.

The "straw vote" which the *Literary Digest* has undertaken in California to obtain an impression of the direction the political wind is blowing, has shown that Mr. Upton Sinclair, the pink Democrat, is not so popular as he was thought to be. For a long time it was believed that he would overwhelm Governor Merriam in the gubernatorial race, but the *Digest* poll says "No!"

The first returns, a total of 18,854 ballots, from six cities, give Merriam a substantial lead, an aggregate of 11,262. Sinclair has 5,198 and the remaining votes are fairly equally divided among the other candidates.

These and other hints of the trend of thought are causing Democrats some apprehensiveness.

The contents of President Roosevelt's opening campaign speech are being closely guarded. Asked whether President Roosevelt intended to "give 'em hell," the Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Daniel C. Roper, offered no more than a hint, saying: "I don't believe he will go beyond purgatory."—*United Press.*

## ANOTHER STRIKE CALLED IN U.S.

### 24,000 LOCKED OUT OF DYE SHOPS

#### GORMAN THREAT

Paterson, N.J., Oct. 24. A strike of 24,000 silk and rayon dyers has been called as from midnight.

A conference of employers and workers met at the last minute in an effort to avert the walk-out.

The militant strike-maker, Gorman, one of the big Labour chiefs in the Eastern States, broke up the meeting four minutes after it had assembled.

Gorman threatened a fresh outbreak of the textile strikes, owing to the alleged discrimination shown by employers against union members who participated in the last textile strike.—*Reuter.*

Annual Congress meetings, sat comfortably in easy chairs in public halls, were properly attired in morning suits and delivered essays on nationalism in perfect English. Gandhi changed all that in his fifteen years away of the Congress. Preparations have been made to care for 100,000 to 150,000 delegates.

Meetings will be held in the open air, after six o'clock in the evening, when the sun is down. Delegates will squat or stand on the slopes of Worli Hills, at whose base the Arabian sea lies.

Babu Rajendra Prasad, one of Gandhi's most devoted and tried lieutenants, will preside over Congress. About 50,000 have served several terms of imprisonment. He has been an congressman since 1920, gave up a lucrative law practice to devote himself to Indian masses.—*United Press.*



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OF LABOUR  
EMPLOYMENT  
PROBLEM

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The speaker was a farmer's wife in a backward county, where a prosecution had been instituted by the Wages Board; a farmer had been heavily fined, and she was angry. How remote from the early summer of 1934 was that good lady's parent!

The crisis through which this country passed in 1931 had its effect upon farm wages; forty-two out of forty-seven committees made downward revisions in the minimum figure. Two Welsh counties (Merioneth and Montgomery), where there is practically no alternative occupation, cut their wage to 27s. At the same time, it is fair to remember that the decline in prices received by the farmer was associated with the fall in the cost-of-living index, and during a period of seven years (1926-1933), while agricultural prices fell 29 per cent., the cost of living declined 18 per cent.

### ABOVE THE MINIMUM.

To-day actual wages often rise well above the minimum. Horsemen, cattle-men, and shepherds are said to average 37s. and 38s.; thanks to the Agricultural Wages Act, which is only ten years old, the farm worker is no longer called upon to bear the brunt of depression. The records of the Board are set out in its "Report of Proceedings under the Agricultural Wages Board (Regulation) Act, 1924" (H.M. Stationery Office, 1s. 3d.). They explain why the agricultural worker, his wife and his children, are better housed, better fed, and better clothed than they have been in living memory, why amusement can find a way into their lives, and some recreation other than that provided by an annual fair and a holiday on Christmas Day for those who did not have to tend stock, is available to-day. The ugly side of the Report lies in a brief statement reading as follows: "The total arrears of wages below the minimum rates recovered by the Ministry since the introduction of the Act amounted to £102,675 in September 30, 1933."

The one problem that no Wages Act can solve is that of employment; the Report states definitely that many farmers are cutting their wages bill down to the very minimum required for maintenance. To make matters worse, mechanisation is driving men off the land. The latest returns show that permanent agricultural labour has lost nearly thirty thousand men in the past twelve months.

## GERMAN IMPORTS OF RAYON

LARGE INCREASE IN  
VOLUME

Germany reports an increase in silk and rayon imports for the first quarter of 1934. Volume for this period was 4,183 metric tons, valued at 19,656,000 reichsmarks, compared with 3,649 metric tons, valued at 18,734,000 reichsmarks for the like period of 1933. Total exports of silk and rayon also increased in the first quarter of 1934. Volume increased to 4,582 metric tons from 4,006 metric tons in the same period of 1933, but their value showed a marked decline.

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When it is firm, cover the top with a layer of thick cream, and then a thin layer of grated or powdered chocolate.

## Princess Steps The Reels O' Tulloch

HIGHLAND BALL AT  
BALMORAL

In the stately oak-panelled ballroom of Balmoral Castle Prince George and Princess Marina danced the stirring Reels o' Tulloch.

It was one of the first dances of the Highland ball given by the King and Queen for the servants and ghillies of the Balmoral, Aberfeldie and Birkhall Estates.

Princess Marina spent most of the morning in the ballroom practising with Prince George the unfamiliar Highland steps and turns. The royal pipers played, and she had the benefit of expert tuition from the King's piper, Pipe-Major Forsyth.

About 300 guests, including tenants and members of the Balmoral staff, were invited to the ball, which began at 9.30 and continued until long past midnight. Highland dress was generally worn, and the many tartans made an ever-changing pattern of brilliant colour.

The King and Queen, as is their custom, appeared first in a gallery. They later took their seats in a recess of the ballroom while the pipers played "Highland Laddie."

Their Majesties were followed by the Duke and Duchess of York

## CHURCHILL AS FILM EDITOR

KORDA'S LATEST  
SCHEME

INTELLIGENT  
"SHORTS"

The news that Mr. Winston Churchill has signed a contract with London Films to edit a series of informative pictures comes as no surprise to those who are familiar with Mr. Korda's ambitious plans for programme building. For a long while he has been concerned with the problem of supplying intelligent "shorts" with his feature pictures, and he has always been interested in the idea of using the screen to make the man in the street familiar with the political and economic conditions of the world he lives in.

The present scheme is to produce a series of short pictures dealing with such world problems as Gold, Unemployment, and the Future of Monarchy in a way that will make them clear to the ordinary picture-goer of any country. The subjects will be chosen by the Hon. Winston Churchill, and will be made under his supervision by a staff of technical experts, while his son, Mr. Randolph Churchill, is to take an active part in their preparation.

"The idea," Mr. Korda says, "is to illustrate Mr. Churchill's speech with diagrams, bits of topical film, and other devices, and it will involve a considerable amount of work on trick staves, besides extensive research. It should be interesting to the ordinary man and woman to see what is the gold standard, what is Fascism, and so on—to learn the meaning of the words they read in the newspapers and so often do not understand."

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## IN TRANCE FOR FOUR YEARS

FOLKESTONE MAN  
RECOVERING

A young man who lay in a trance for four years is regaining his health at Folkestone after being in hospital for six years.

He is Mr. Victor Stanley Cleave, of Station Cottages, Dover Road, Folkestone, a railwayman.

In the early summer of 1928 his health broke down, and he was removed to the Ministry of Pensions Hospital at Gosham. On the following day he fell asleep, and for the next four years he remained in a complete trance, knowing nothing of the outside world.

Hope of his recovery had been abandoned when on Whit-Sunday, 1932, he opened his eyes again. He slowly recovered the use of his limbs, and to-day he is back at his home on leave of absence from hospital.

and Prince George and Princess Marina.

In addition to the Reels o' Tulloch, "Dashing White Sergeant," the Queen's favourite dance, was on the programme, also the Paul Jones.

The Paul Jones is usually included, as it affords guests opportunities of dancing with members of the Royal Family.

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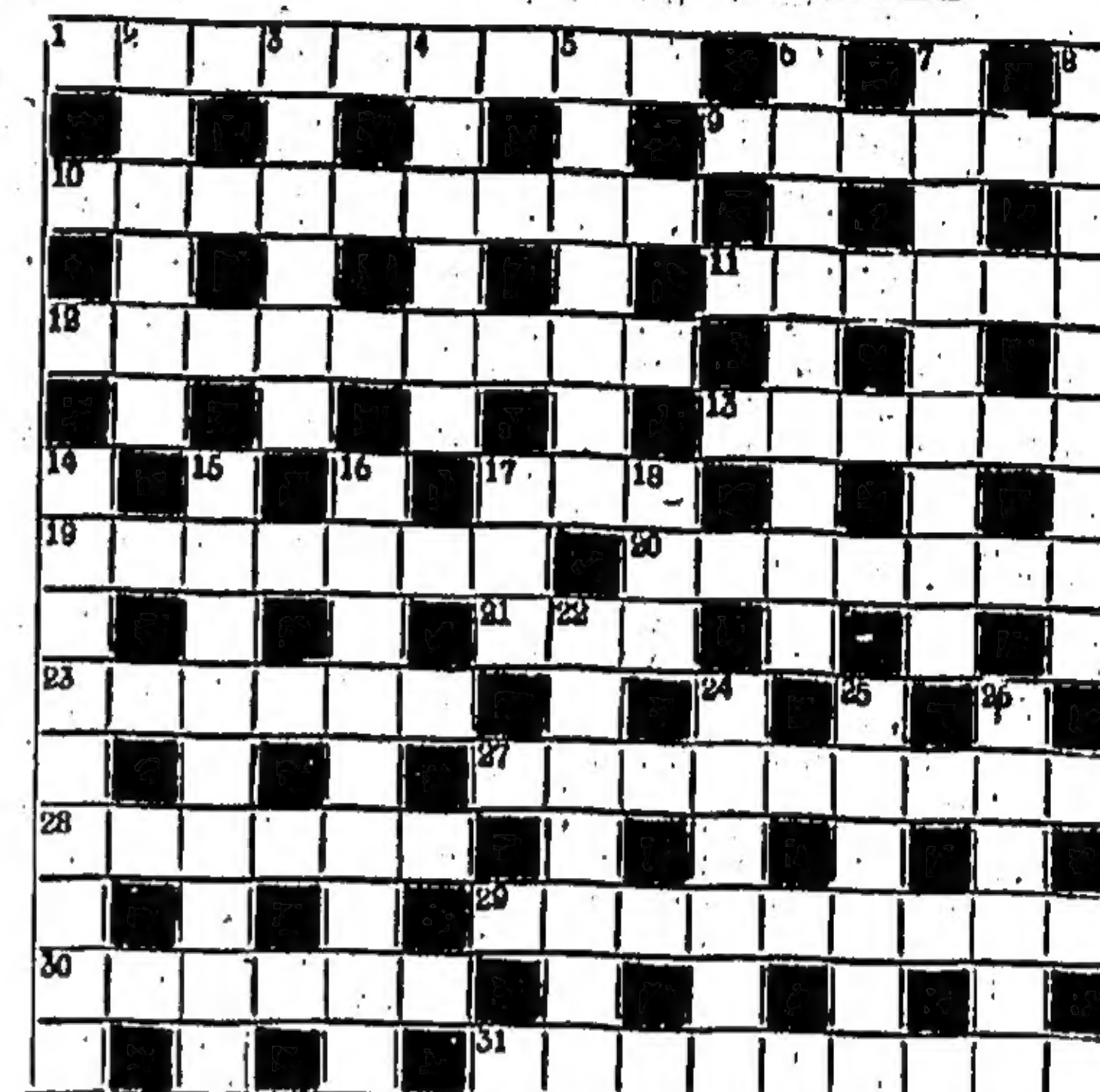
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- 12 Lured.
- 13 Lack of seriousness shows it in a tax.
- 17 An exclamation (if you want a teaching position go round the square).
- 19 Time to yourself at the end it is certain.
- 20 Far from poverty-stricken.
- 21 Just for a rag reverse this fish.
- 23 Fly that is a bane to some animal.
- 27 Youngster that seems to advise to bare a fish.
- 28 Foreign head-covering.
- 29 One who comes from a fine marsh.
- 30 Scatter.
- 31 Not a workman's appeal to the assistants.

### Down

- 2 Kind.
- 3 You could make a ski-er of this man.
- 4 Slave though perhaps not legally one.
- 5 French painter of fame.
- 6 Mistaken.

### Yesterday's Solution

- 7 A trophy for the most speedy.
- 8 Precious stones.
- 11 Communion.
- 18 Whence the grapes lose their form.
- 16 Protections from the head of them seem to suggest it's almost hellish.
- 17 One of the farmer's flock.
- 18 An outstanding feature that is all rubbish if you reverse it.
- 22 It's a big step to get a good riding position.
- 24 Chess-man.
- 25 By this rather classical name Queen Elizabeth was known.
- 26 Dangerous.

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Professor W. Brown will address the Arts Association of the Hongkong University to-morrow at 8.45 p.m. in Room "K" of the University, his subject being "The River

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# POLAND'S SPIRIT OF HIGH NATIONALISM

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### PLACE OF PERMANENCY

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

IN the ever-changing pageant of affairs the limelight has recently centred upon Poland as Europe's latest Wonderland. The cold-shouldering of the Eastern Locarno Pact and Colonel Beck's "minorities" outburst at Geneva are the signs of a change that has suddenly made Poland a centre of world speculation.

After an extensive tour of the country I find the Poles more united than at any time in the last 15 years on a policy of semi-political and wholly spiritual isolation from the rest of Europe.

"We have no intention of becoming the battle-ground of the next European war." This is how a prominent official in the Polish Ministry for Foreign Affairs summed up for me Poland's foreign policy, in itself a sure reflection of the opinions of the people.

Polish opinions are to-day more intensely nationalistic than that of any other European country. Everywhere in Poland I have found an epidemic of "isolationism."

My friend in the Polish Ministry described it as "absolute determination not to become entangled in a foreign alliance." And in this connection it is very noticeable that opinion in Warsaw is rapidly stiffening against French influences.

#### NO CATSPAW.

Poland is no longer content to be the cat's paw of French statesmanship. She aims to rank as one

your fellow-countrymen wonder continually," I replied, "whether the friendly slap may not suddenly become a blow." "If it does," he said tersely, "Poland will be ready."

The recent demonstrations in Warsaw and elsewhere in favour of Poland's gesture to the League of Nations have no doubt been astutely engineered. But they indicate only too clearly the temper of the people and the strength of Marshal Pilsudski's following.

#### NATIONALISM'S WINDOW.

A visit to Poland is intensely illuminating. In this newly re-created State can be seen all the qualities and the defects of nationalism. Among all classes is displayed a fierce national pride. Even an hotel porter told me with a touch of fine arrogance that Poland has supplied coal to Great Britain during the General Strike.

Recently there has been held the first congress of Poles from all parts of the world and patriotic celebrations have taken place in Warsaw and Cracow.

At the moment Poland is the poor relation of the Great Powers. She is suffering from an inferiority complex which is sometimes manifested in an appearance of overweening self-confidence. Her roads are amongst the worst in Europe and she has no money to improve them. But inquiring the way as we motored we were invariably told that the road was good in Poland but—with a shake of the head—"In Lithuania it is bad."

#### WILL TO SUCCEED

The nation is poor but it has the will to succeed. Last year it was decided to raise an internal loan of £1,000,000 by means which closely resembled a capital levy. The result was the splendid total of £3,000,000. Yet even in Warsaw the people buy their cigarettes in ones or twos because they cannot afford a packet.

The sympathy and understanding of all nations must go out to Poland. She has her defects but she compels admiration. For a century and a half the country has been under foreign domination. During the whole of that time the Polish patriots worked to regain their independence. They rebelled and were brutally crushed. They rebelled again. The war continued for them till 1921. Their country was ceaselessly ravaged. But their spirit was never crushed.

To-day Poland has a permanent place on the map of Europe.

### BEER PLentiful BUT MILK SCARCE

### "GOOD LIVING" TO BE EXPENSIVE

### GERMANY WARNS GOURMETS

Whatever the German may have to go without this winter he will not have to forgo his glass of beer. The barley necessary for beer production and for other industrial purposes can easily be secured from the total harvest of summer barley.

The weekly report of the Institute for Business Research suggests that it is not the German people, but German cattle and poultry that will go short of food for the harvest of fodder crops (beets, carrots, as well as pasturage, hay, straw, and chaff) has been extraordinarily poor.

This means that there will be a shortage of such animal products as milk, cheese, and eggs. Of meat, on the other hand, there will be more than enough, as the scarcity of fodder will persuade farmers to send an abnormal number of cattle to the slaughterhouse. A plentiful supply of fish is also promised.

The report indirectly warns gourmets that "good living" is likely to be expensive, if not impossible. "The supplies of vegetables will probably give no cause for uneasiness," it observes, "for a resort is possible to the cruder types of vegetables (white cabbage and carrots) which in previous years could for the most part be used only for fodder purposes."

There are other guarded hints of forthcoming makeshifts distasteful to the gourmets. There seems to be no danger of there not being enough food to go round in Germany during the winter. But people will often have to put up with crude and adulterated forms of food.



Turkoman troops at the manoeuvres in the Kara-Kum desert in Russian Turkestan where the camel is indispensable for riders of the sands.

### BAND LEADER'S LIBEL CLAIM

### RESENTS CHARGE OF RACKETEERING

### TERM MISUNDERSTOOD

"I am afraid that my education has not covered a study of the American language," remarked Mr. Justice Swift, in the King's Bench Division, London, when counsel suggested that His Lordship might be acquainted with the meaning of the word "racketeer."

Mr. St. John Field was announcing the settlement of a libel action which Mr. John Wesley Vivian Payne, the well-known dance band leader, professionally known as Jack Payne, has brought against Mr. Len W. Hunt.

Mr. St. John Field stated that the defendant was an instrumentalist in another orchestra and was also a journalist. One of his activities had been the contribution of articles to a monthly American paper entitled the *Metronome*, which had a circulation in this country. In the November issue of that paper, last year, there appeared a series of accusations and statements about Mr. Payne which he was bound to challenge.

Counsel said that he did not wish to read the words. It was sufficient to state that they implied that Mr. Payne was a racketeering type of band-leader.

"Your Lordship perhaps knows that the American word 'racket' or 'racketeer' is very unpleasant indeed," said counsel.

His Lordship—I am afraid, Mr. St. John Field, that my education has not covered a study of the American language.

Mr. St. John Field—I hope that your Lordship will accept the statement from me that "racketeering" is a very unpleasant word indeed. It is applied to smuggling, banditry, and kidnapping.

Mr. Payne, he said, was compelled to issue a writ, and the action was for a time defended, but when counsel had now prevailed, and Mr. Hunt had consented to withdraw his defence, he had already published an apology in the *Metronome*, and his counsel would say in open Court that Mr. Payne never intended to make money out of the action, and was quite content to accept the apology and not ask for damages.

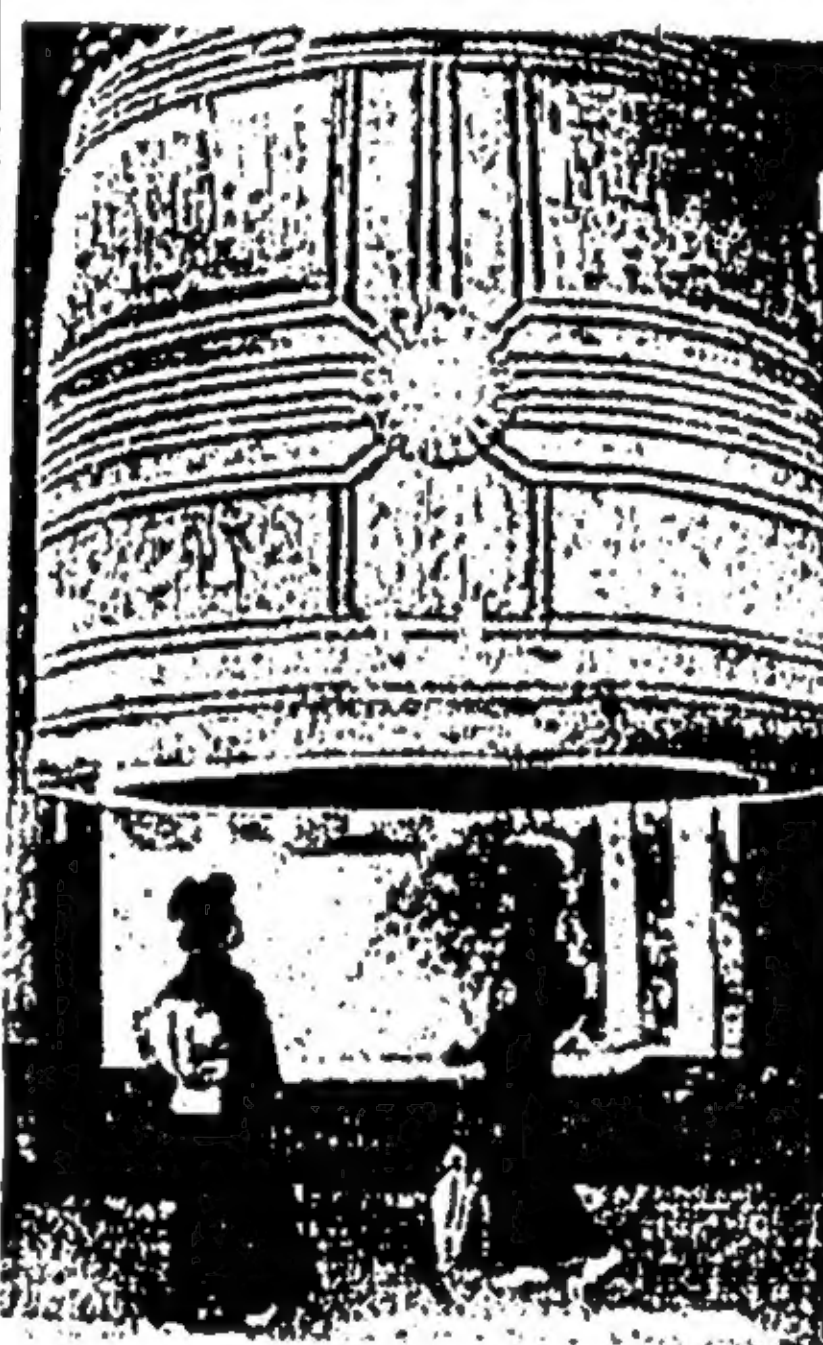
Mr. A. T. Denning, for Mr. Hunt, said that his client realised that owing to a misunderstanding he made the statement complained of. He now wished to withdraw the statement unreservedly, and to apologise to Mr. Jack Payne and express his sincere regret to him. His Lordship assented.

### AIR SERVICE TO 1,000 ISLANDS

### AUSTRALIA LAUNCHES AMBITIOUS PLAN

The Australian Government, having rejected a tender for the Australia-New Guinea seaplane service is now contemplating calling for others.

The Government is also considering a proposal to establish a civil aviation base at Rabaul for a Government-owned service which would provide aerial communications for a thousand islands in the Bismarck archipelago, it has just been announced.



In the Japanese town of Kyoto which recently was damaged by a serious typhoon, the world's largest temple bell is found. It is 5.2 metres in height and weighs 700,000 kilos.

### IMPERSONATES HIMSELF

### NOTED AIRMAN'S DETENTION

An extraordinary incident at Chertsey in August, when Mr. E. L. Gandar Dower, managing director of Aberdeen Airways (Ltd.), Dyce, Aberdeen, was alleged to have been arrested for impersonating himself and uttering forged cheques in his own name in the Chertsey district, was recalled at Murchiephone, London, recently during an action against the man charged with the real impersonation.

It appeared that last April Mr. Gandar Dower lost a suitcase containing two cheque books from his car in Piccadilly. Later, while he was flying in the King's Cup air race, a man unknown to him was alleged to have impersonated him at the Chertsey Bridge Hotel.

In August, while flying from Newcastle, Mr. Gandar Dower booked a room in advance at the Chertsey Bridge Hotel. On arriving about midnight he was met by two police sergeants and detained. It was alleged, on a charge of uttering forged cheques to various firms in the district. He explained that he was in Aberdeen when the cheques were passed, but it was 2 a.m. before he satisfied the police and was released.

### AFGHANISTAN JOINS LEAGUE

### FIRST FRUITS OF SOVIET ENTRY


The Sixth Commission on Sept. 26 unanimously voted in favour of the admission of Afghanistan into the League.

Her entry may be regarded as the first-fruits of Russia's membership of the League—as her candidature has been, it is reported, encouraged by Turkey, assisted by Russia.

Sir Dennis Bray, the Indian representative, said his country was among the first to welcome the application of the independent kingdom of Afghanistan. India rejoiced that another milestone on the road to universality of the League had been reached.



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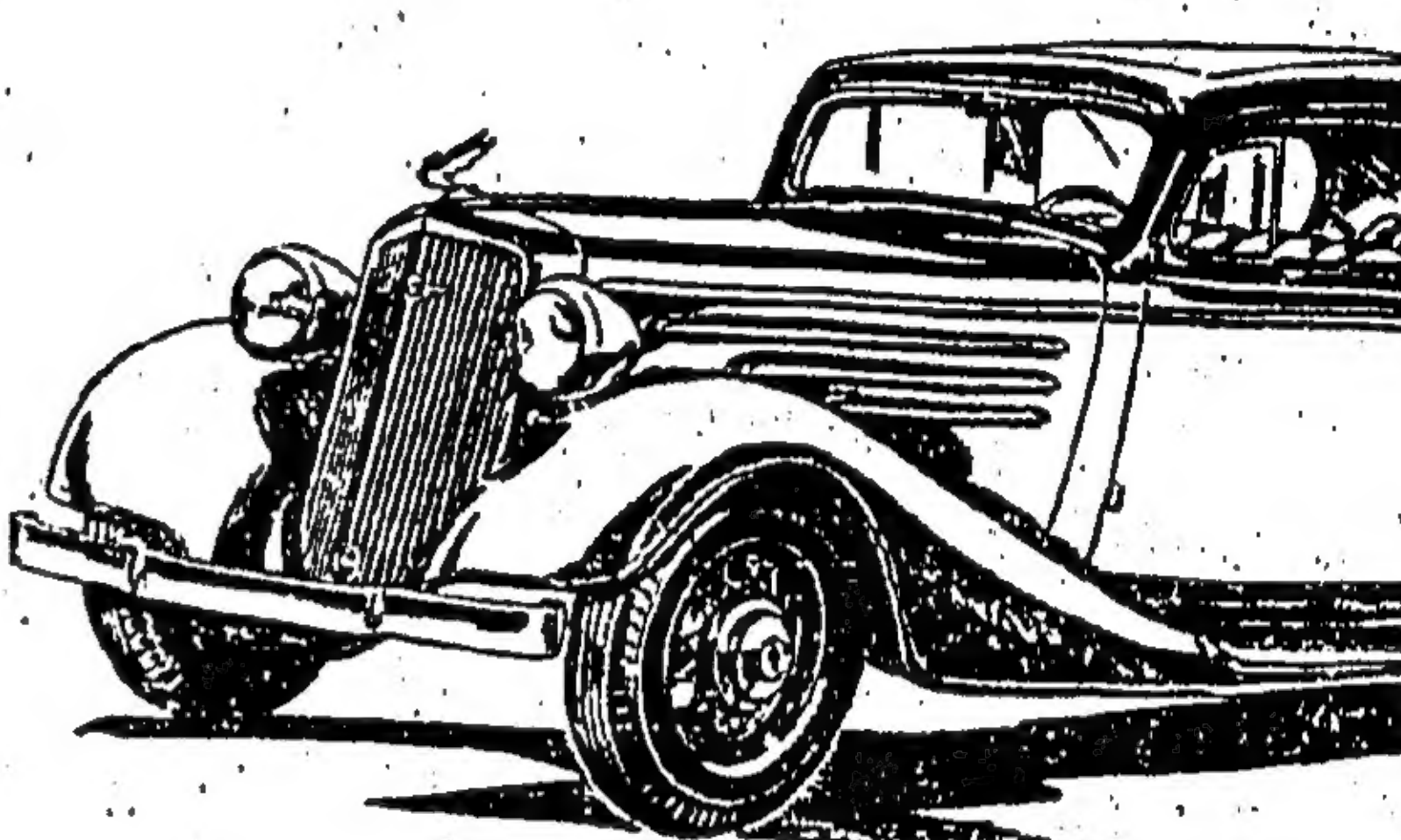
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Chester Morris in "Let's Talk It Over," which is to be screened at the Central Theatre from to-day until Saturday.

## CINEMA NEWS

## NOTES FROM THE THEATRES

"Baby, Take a Bow," coming to the King's Theatre on Saturday, introduces two-year-old Shirley Temple in her first title role. After her overnight success in "Stand Up and Cheer!" Little Shirley has become one of the outstanding personalities on the screen. She has an important part in the picture and is responsible for much of the comedy. James Dunn and Claire Trevor, who have been teamed in three pictures, are together again in "Baby, Take a Bow," as Shirley's parents. It's a sparkling comedy-drama that goes under way in the first few scenes and maintains a rapid tempo to the exciting finish. A great deal of comedy and human interest has been injected into the scenes showing the camaraderie and affection between daddy and baby and the episode of the child's birthday party. Shirley, another opportunity to show her talents as a singing and dancing entertainer. Keen romantic interest is maintained also by James Dunn and Claire Trevor.

## "Shoot the Works"

The inimitable Jack Oakie with his Missard accent and wackiness and Ben Define's music are the principal features in the hilariously funny "Shoot the Works," the Paramount comedy which is coming on Sunday to the Queen's Theatre. The film is a comedy in rapid tempo. It takes music, song, romance—and a grand cast through a tempest of action which speeds its characters through side-shows, sea cruises, carnivals and the radio world, with intimate glimpses of each. Oakie is pictured as a glib-tongued promoter of freak shows and Oakie's sitting champion, with side excursions into twilight romances. Hysterically funny is Roscoe Karns, in the role of a goofy stunt flagpole-sitter—who is in a constant turmoil about his philanthropic while he always aloft to win a sitting championship. Sterling performances are given by Allison Skipworth, as Oakie's faithful and unofficial mother, and by William Frawley, who portrays a famous gossiping columnist. But the palms for this

rollicking film go out to Oakie, Ben Define, and the director, Wesley Ruggles, who made a splendid job of directing this film from the successful play by Ben Hecht and Gene Fowler.

## "Convention City"

Adolphe Menjou will make his bow under the First National banner in Peter Milne's rollicking comedy drama, "Convention City," when that picture comes to the Alhambra on Sunday. Menjou has worked for a number of film companies, but since his return from Europe, where he went to make two pictures, he has been free lancing until placed under contract by First National pictures. In "Convention City" he plays the part of a super-salesman who is only cheated out of the sales management of his concern by his too many love tangles. The story is a snappy take-off on Atlantic City business conventions in which the conventionists are depicted as having too much fun acting as playboys to pay much attention to business. There is an all star cast which includes such well-known players as Joan Blondell, Dick Powell, Mary Astor, Guy Kibbee, Frank McHugh, Patricia Ellis, Ruth Donnelly, Hugh Herbert, Hobart Cavanaugh, Grant Mitchell and Gordon Westcott.

## "Hold That Girl"

Part of Claire Trevor's dramatic training for which she paid cash was practice in the art of falling down stairs. Miss Trevor entered the American Academy of Dramatic Art in New York because she didn't want to go to college and because she thought going to drama school would be fun. She immediately became deeply interested in the work and thanks the thorough groundwork the academy afforded for any success that may have come her way on the stage and screen. Miss Trevor arrived in Hollywood from New York last May and is now playing in her fifth picture, "Hold That Girl," a comedy in which she and James Dunn are co-featured. It is the current features at the King's Theatre.

The long step from the drawing room to the Barbary Coast of old San Francisco gives to the screen an entirely new Ruth Chatterton, in her latest First National picture "Frisco Jenny" which opens to-day at the Alhambra Theatre. Coming as an

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bring so picturesque a person to the screen, dons the plumed hats, ginger-breaded costumes and war-paint of the demi-mondaine, and plays her for all she is worth. Donald Cook, James Murray and Louis Calhern appear opposite Miss Chatterton in a triangle of prominent roles, while others in the cast include Harold Huber, Helen Jerome Eddy, Noel Francis, Pat O'Malley, Hallam Cooley, Robert Warwick, J. Carroll Nash and Robert Emmet O'Connor.

## "Paris Interlude"

"Paris Interlude," which opens to-day at the Queen's Theatre proves to (Continued on Page 7.)

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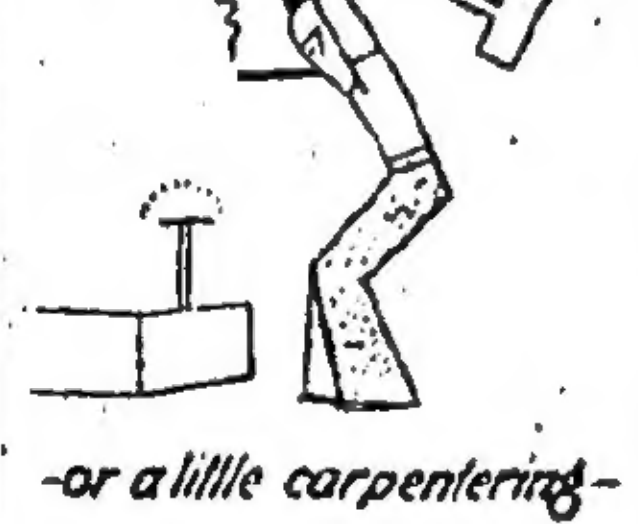
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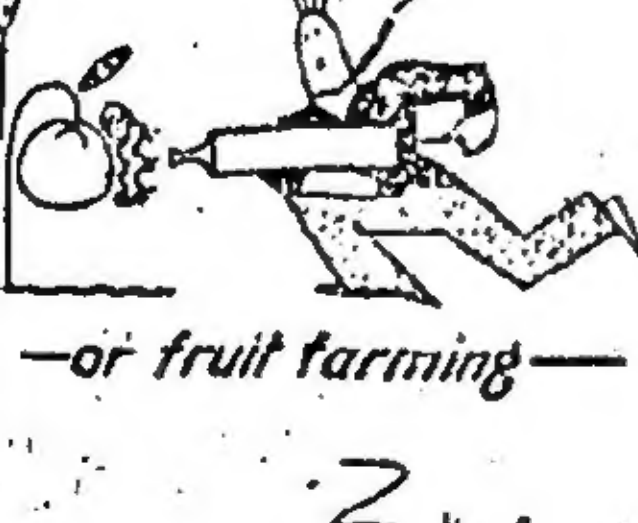
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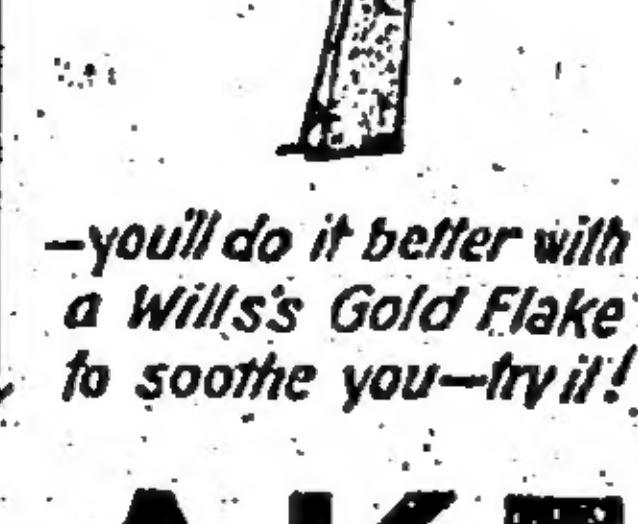
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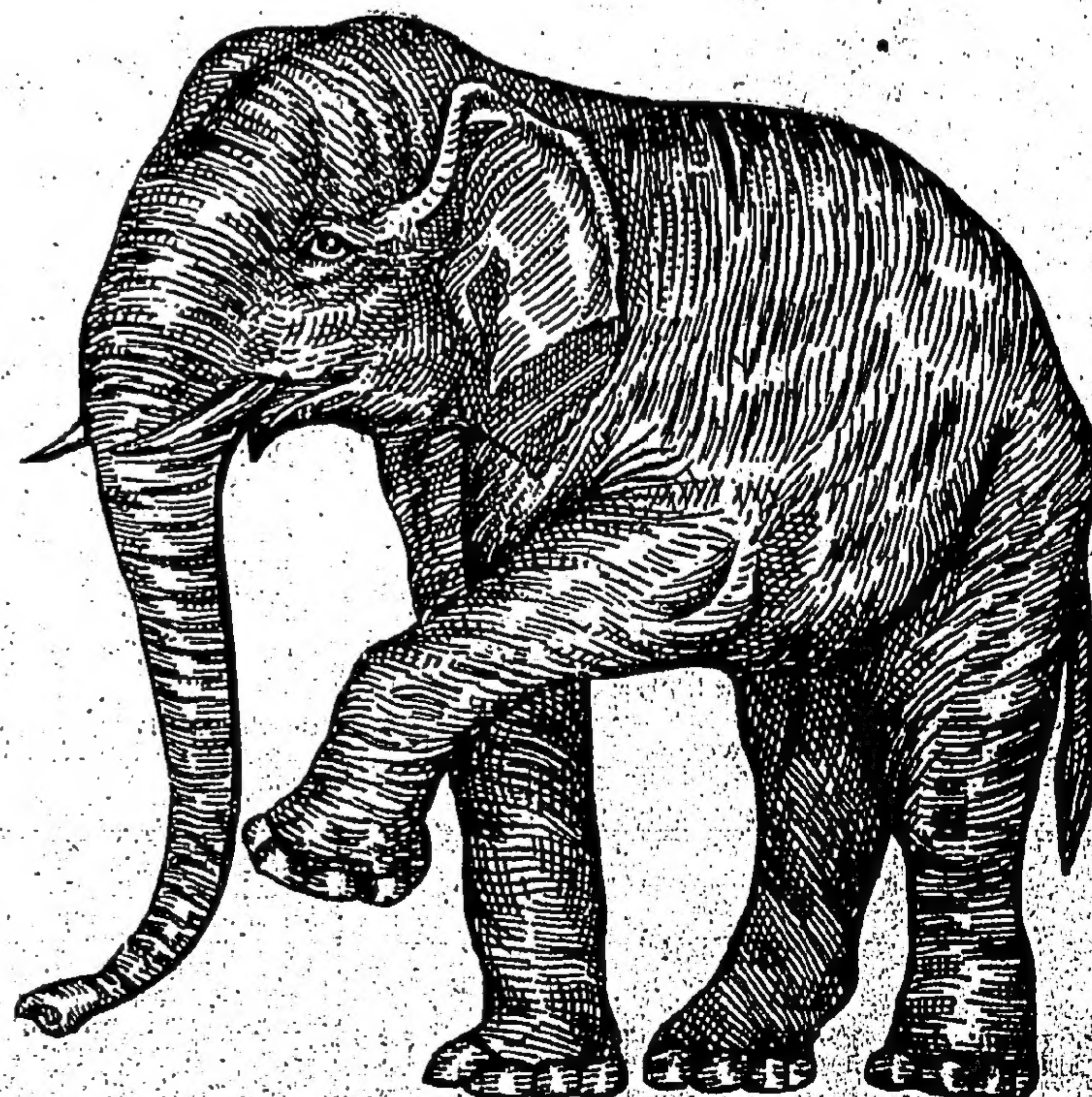
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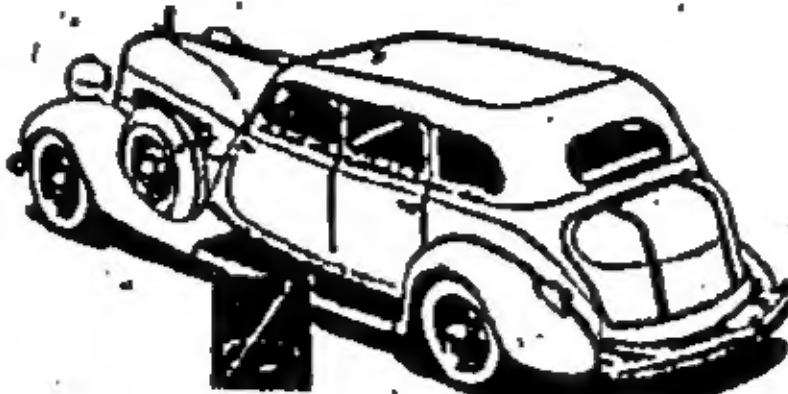
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#### MORE SILVER VIEWS

Silver continues to be the subject of comment in all parts of the world. Quite recently, the London *Financial Times* took up the issue and cited the decline in the volume of China's foreign trade as support for the view that rising silver prices adversely affect Chinese exports. It went on to remark:—"That this decline of China's foreign trade would happen as silver rose was, it is believed, the news brought back by President Roosevelt's special envoy, after gaining first-hand information on the subject. We have no right to surmise that the President was not impressed by the opinion brought back by his messenger from the East. Silver, in the mind of the President, may by now have become dissociated with China's peculiar problems; he may believe the metal is the more to be cherished on that account. It is obvious," continues the journal, "that if the price of silver over the next twelve months is to rise another fourpence per ounce, there is scope for appreciation in the price of silver shares. . . . But the recent buying of silver issues was more the outcome of what seems to be a reasonable hope than of an assured conviction that the future of silver prices can be foretold." On this latter point, the inference is drawn that the commodity price level in this complex world cannot be permanently influenced by the monetary action of any individual country, whether it be deliberate or otherwise. These comments, it is of interest to note, were made a few weeks ago, when silver prices were very slightly below the present level. The fact that there was then talk of a further rise of fourpence an ounce, raising it to about 26d., indicates what London then thought of the possibilities. Much has happened since, however, but facts which stand out are that China's trade decline cannot be wholly attributable to the rise in silver prices, that the United States considers her silver policy a purely domestic matter, and that Indian and American interests continue to figure in the market as buyers. Powerful speculative influences are, moreover, still operating, and activities under this head only serve to add to the uncertainties of the position. With so many complex factors either operating or likely to come into the picture at any moment, it has become increasingly difficult for experts to forecast the immediate future of the metal. It is worthy of note,

#### NOTES OF THE DAY

##### ITALY'S LAURELS

While Scott and Black were hurtling southward in their British-built Comet, to set a new record for the London-to-Melbourne flight, a young Italian, Francesco Agello, was going to bed early and fitting himself for a test of almost equal hazard. It was probably coincidence that he attempted, on behalf of Italy, to lower his own world speed record at a time when attention was focussed upon the England-Australia race. In any event he broke the record, and space had to be made on the front pages of the world's newspapers for the tale of his accomplishment. At the same time, Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith was grooming his ship for a dash across the Pacific. Yesterday he left Suva for Honolulu. Man progresses. Only the world spins on at the same old speed.

##### NO ISOLATION

The day has passed when a nation could consider itself immune from surprise attack because of its isolation. Britain's frontier is the Rhine and Germany's is the Channel. Japan and the United States are about to engage in a debate as to what constitutes a natural barrier to invasion, and out of their discussions, it is hoped, will come some compromise that will make possible an agreement at the Naval Conference. Japan claims that because of the increased cruising radius of aircraft and warships, her position in the north-west corner of the Pacific is no longer as remote, and as safe, as it was. The United States claims that Japanese bombers could demolish New York within 48 hours of leaving Tokyo. One says she must be granted a higher ratio in naval armaments; the other says she mustn't. A delicately balanced argument.

##### SOLUTION REMOTE

The assertions of both Japanese and American experts are probably quite true, but if the argument applies to one it must apply to the other. If isolation is no defence for Japan, it can be no defence for America, and the relative vulnerability of the two is not altered. The United States adds to her argument against an increase of Japanese naval strength the reminder that she is about to quit the Philippines. Japan's obvious rejoinder will be that that is not yet a *fait accompli*, and that in any event America can strike as hard from Honolulu as from Manila. Japan can say, furthermore, that her relations with Russia are not of the friendly kind that America cannot conceivably find herself in such dangerous proximity to a powerful neighbour.

##### ANOTHER VIEWPOINT

But that will not settle the dispute. It would seem that the nation which can prove itself most threatened must be allowed the greatest naval and air defence forces. It might be shown, if the theory is followed to its conclusion, that Britain's position is ten times more vulnerable than that of either Japan or America, to say nothing of the relatively defenceless countries of the colonial empire if left without the bulwark of air and sea fleets. Britain might add a useless claim to a useless argument that she is as much in danger of attack from France or Ireland as are Japan and America from their neighbours. *Reductio ad absurdum.*

##### LEAD AND DOLLARS

The Jockey Club is abandoning the two-dollar bet experiment. Probably it is felt that anyone who can afford to bet two dollars can afford a little deeper and afford a five. The Jockey Club does not know very much more about what most of us can afford than some of us know about horses. A gentleman jockey's charming young wife, when scanning the race programme the other day, remarked that the horses seemed much lighter than those which ran at home. (She was looking at the handicap weights of jockeys, of course). When a companion expressed some doubt as to the exactness of the weights, the gentleman jockey's wife remarked: "Oh, but it's true. You see they make them heavier by putting lead on."

however, that Mr. E. Kann, the well-known authority on the currency of China, last week told Shanghai Rotarians that he had no hesitation in saying that silver is bound to rise. He added that a 1s. 6d. or a 1s. 8d. dollar would be fairly satisfactory to the trade of the port, that this basis could be easily obtained, and that he believed the authorities would welcome such a level.

#### EAST MEETS WEST ON MODERN AIRWAY

By "VOYAGEUR"

THERE are still a few halfway houses where East meets West, where science and magic operate side by side. The great seaplanes flying between Florida and Argentina land at some of these strange places.

Miami, from which they start, is the playground of speculators, speed-fleets, platinum blondes. There is no getting away from them, and they all look extremely expensive.

Soon after dawn the quadruple-engine seaplane starts on its way south—eight days to Buenos Aires, the other end of the world. At Cuba there may be a whisper of revolution. Convents are in danger. Two sisters who have never left the island, or the ground, come on board. It is very hot. Their stiff skirts fill the cabin.

"Their petticoats must be made of planks!" complains a motor salesman, as he sits crushed into the smallest space between the spreading sisters, who never look out of the window and whose lips move ceaselessly, silently, till, with a majestic swirl, the seaplane descends at Haiti.

We passengers crowd into a bar famous for a pineapple drink laced with rum. America is still with us on the radio. Elder Michaux, who rose from Negro fish peddler to preacher, is being interviewed in far-away Washington. "No member of my church smokes, drinks or dances," expounds the elder. "We fast one day a month and our savings go to the unemployed."

But, tired of the virtues of the north, the passengers wander out among the peasants, who wear blue overalls and hats made of fan-palm leaves. The men work with cutlasses; the girls carry on their heads gourds filled with syrup. Black men, striding silently, their out-thrust lips, their palms, and the soles of their feet paler than the rest of their skin, their eyes bloodshot, make for the hills. "There is a ceremony—" someone says.

The sound of flutes muted with paper dies at the outskirts of the town. The whole black world is moving towards this sound, with which the witch doctors communicate at full moon. Impeded by our boots, we Anglo-Saxons follow. In a decedely, surrounded by rocks, are ranged a crowd of figures the colour of burned coffee. In the centre of the circle is a huge ash-grey Negro with glazed eyes who shuffles from one foot to another as if he were an automaton.

The witch doctor advances with an axe in his hand. His face is smeared with lime. Tufts of feathers stick to his loins, and sides. By a rhythmic incantation, he strives to summon the powers obedient to Black Magic. When he begins to whirl the chopper about his head the watching Negroes shudder to their knees. In front of them, quivering like a jelly, crouches the huge black with the ash-grey face.

Then it happens—or perhaps it doesn't happen—and two Canadian engineers, three hard-boiled American salesmen, one English traveller, and a local professor simply imagine it! Readers can take their choice.

In any case, the axe swings. The huge nigger ceases to shake. The next instant the witch doctor is—apparently—holding up a decapitated head, while two acolytes bend solicitously over the trunk.

Meanwhile, the witch doctor spins in quickening circles with his trophy held high. Then, he swoops upon the body of his victim and refits the head to the bleeding neck.

A shiver passes through the audience. The victim rises, cautiously feeling his neck, on which the recent operation has left no mark, and recommences his shuffle. Immediately the audience, still kneeling, begin to jerk themselves into the first stages of an ecstasy, which, a few hours later, will leave them limp as corpses.

"Let's get out!" says one of the engineers. "I guess there's something wrong with our eyes." Antiguan, Port of Spain, Paramaribo! The seaplane descends on the Surinam River beside a little Dutch town built on stilts to avoid the white ants, with bells ringing from the twin spires of the Lutheran Church, and a white rain or a black rain, according to its violence, falling on the statue of Queen Wilhelmina.

By missing a connection at Paramaribo you can go up river between smooth jungle walls, palisaded with trees that break into flowers eighty feet above the swamps, in which they struggle for footholds, and close-plaited creepers wherein lurk the murderous maca snakes.

A monotonous coastline edged by coffee-coloured swamps reaches out to Guyenne, where the whole country is a prison. The seaplane makes a circle over the three islands of the French penal settlement.

Devil's Island is the farthest out of the three, and, in spite of its reputation, is charming to look at. Next day the plot makes a detour to show his passengers the lighthouse of L'Île Perdue tended by convicts who volunteer for the task; and who, surrounded by a stormless sea, mysteriously decrease in number.

Sheets of rain as the seaplane approaches the Amazon. The sea is churned into tea-coloured foam. Space is curtailed in dark, stinging water. There is gloomy talk of a night aloft, but directions come by wireless: "Visibility at 2,000 feet." The pilot zooms upwards, and in a few moments the Amazon is seen as a flat, broad waste beyond the storm.

Para lives in the past, when she was unbelievably enriched by her forests of wild rubber, when speculators paid ten and twenty dollars for the privilege of sleeping in a crowded corridor, and gamblers lit their cigarettes in the casino with notes of the same value. She dreams of the future, when she hopes—in spite of the cheaper cost of production in Malaya and the East Indies—to be rich again. But at present she is dead.

It is from the impression of a cemetery that the passengers are awakened at 3 a.m. for the long flight to Sao Luis, where the radio speaks Brazilian-Portuguese, interspersed with the husky Spanish of the republics farther south. Camocim, Fortaleza, forests as uninhabited as any conceivable desert, and long stretches of sea where, dropping down to fifty or sixty feet above the water, the pilot scares thousands of birds off the mud flats, blue herons and white cranes, the grey of innumerable gulls, flamingoes torn from the sunrise, spoonbills, egrets, and

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#### The Very Idea!

##### TIPS FOR WIVES

(Contributed).

THIS is a warning to all good wives who want to become real "companions" to their husband, and share in his work, his pleasures, and his play.

Do not, under any conditions, take golf lessons from your husband! It's fatal, horribly, finally fatal, to love and respect and wedded bliss, and no wise woman will risk it.

To a man, especially a husband, golf is even more important than a wife. Although he is quite glad to hear your wishes to share in it, and may even promise to take you round and give you a few tips, still smile sweetly and do nothing.

Ten chances to one that tip-giving round would end in a serious quarrel. He would shudder every time you "duffed" a shot; groan as you cut the turf; and swear long and loudly as you made a casual remark while he putted. Unless he's a super-man and you are a super-woman, you'll come home in the sulks at the fourth hole. You'll be justified, of course, but remember that we warned you!

By all means learn to play golf and be a companion to your husband; men secretly long for a wife who is ready to go round with them before they have found any stray pals waiting for a game. But they want a ready-made golfing wife, not a rabbit who must be put through the grueling and exasperating first lessons.

They want a wife who knows the sacredness of golf, who won't make an ass of herself on the first tee, and certainly won't talk when they are playing a shot.

But they mustn't be expected to teach all that to a wife. Love and marriage will never stand the strain, and neither will the husband's own golf. Watching you hacking around, driving with the wrong swing, and the wrong stance puts them off their own precious drive. Anyway, they'll blame you, so what matters?

Well, just smile to yourself and go out and see the professional about a few lessons before you are suggest going round with the man of your heart. That is, if you are already married to him!

But if you are still single and want to know something of the man who is to be your husband, take your courage in both hands and let him teach you. By the end of the round you'll have a pretty rough idea how much he loves you and what kind of temper he really has.

If he has snarled at you, shouted angrily, thrown his clubs away in desperation, and told you that "You're simply not paying attention to anything I say," don't worry! Marry him just the same; he's normal.

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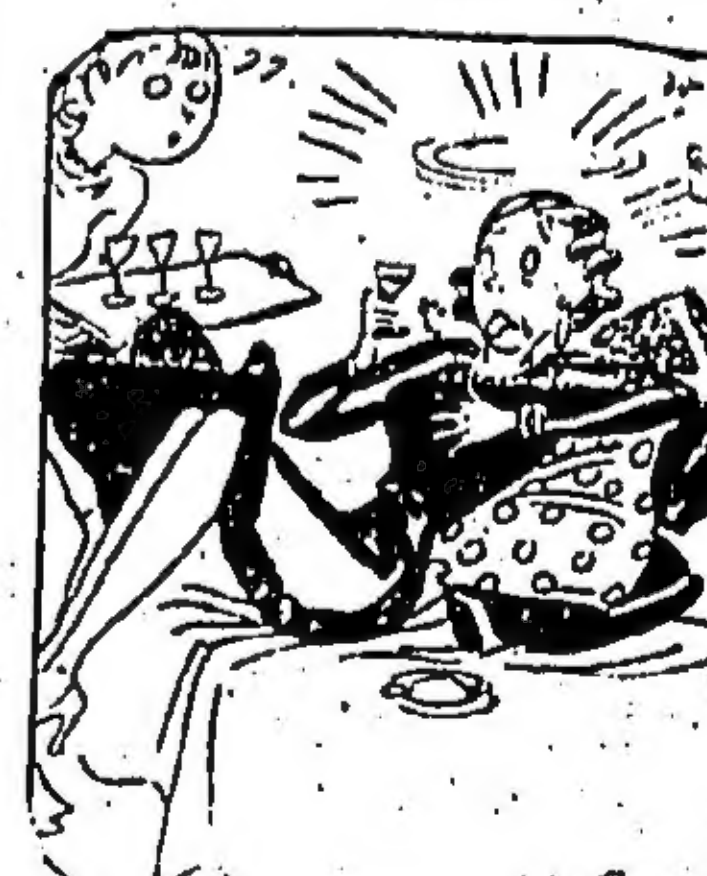
Dear Belle:

I shall expect you and Jim for a small cocktail party on the eleventh. Bring anyone you like who will help along—but I refuse to invite Mrs. Podge again. I entertained her once, and she never recuperated.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sonia G.

(signed).



I entertained her once, and she never recuperated.

##### Bernice is Pleased.

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Thanking you kindly, sincerely,

Bernice T.

(signed)

##### Do Both!

Commissioner of Parks

Dear Sir:

There are some snakes in our garden. I don't know whether to kill them or to make pets of them. What would you suggest?

Robert M.

(signed)



"Oh, Mr. Banks! Why don't you choose a more comfortable chair?"



## PROOF OF SINCERITY?

### NATIONAL CONGRESS DELAYED

Shanghai, Oct. 25.  
The North China Daily News states that the National Congress, scheduled to open on November 12, has been postponed until March 12, 1935.

This demonstrates the sincerity of the Government in its desire to arrive at a rapprochement with the Opposition leaders in the South. The paper says, and adds that the decision followed a meeting of Mr. Wang Ching-wei and Mr. Wang Chung-huei.—*Reuter*.

### SIR A. CADOGAN'S VISIT

#### MERELY EXAMINING CONDITIONS

Nanking, Oct. 25.  
Sir Alexander Cadogan, British Minister to China, who arrived here last evening from Peking, said in an exclusive interview that no specific purpose attached to his forthcoming visit to South China. He would merely inspect the commercial conditions and the life of overseas Britons in various cities. Nor had he any diplomatic mission to discuss with the Chinese Government, he added.

Sir Alexander is going to call on Mr. Wang Ching-wei and other Chinese diplomatic authorities to-day.—*Central News*.

### HOME RETAIL TRADE

#### LATEST RETURNS ENCOURAGING

London, Oct. 24.  
The money value of retail sales in Britain during September was 1.1 per cent. greater than in September, 1933, increases being recorded for all districts.

The first eight months of the trading year showed an increase of 3.3 per cent. in total sales, as compared with the corresponding period of 1933. The value of stocks at the end of September was 2.2 per cent. greater than a year ago, and employment was 2.7 per cent. higher.—*British Wireless*.

### BRITISH-BUILT STEAMERS

#### PICKED FOR CANTON TO SHANGHAI RUN

Shanghai, Oct. 25.  
The Administration of the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company has decided to place the newly constructed steamers Haiyuen and Haiheng in the Shanghai-Canton service.

On their request, the Ministry of Communications has telegraphed to the Hongkong Government asking for passenger-carrying permits for the two steamers, which were built in England.—*Central News*.

### CHIANG VISITING IN PEKING

#### STRONG GUARD ON HIGHWAY

Peking, Oct. 25.  
Accompanied by Madame Chiang, General Chiang Kai-shek arrived here at 4.45 yesterday afternoon, flying from Kaifeng. A large gathering of officials met the visitors. The road to the airport of Nanyuan to the city was heavily guarded by troops and police.

General Chiang last visited the old capital in 1929.—*Reuter*.

#### FLIES TO PEKING

Peking, Oct. 24.  
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek accompanied by Madame Chiang and Mr. Donald, Marshal Chang Hsueh-ling's British adviser, arrived here this evening on board a private plane from Tientsin.

The generalissimo was at the Nanyuan Aerodrome.—*Central News*.  
A coolie woman, employed on the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank building site, was knocked down and somewhat seriously hurt by a young Chinese riding a push-bicycle in Queen's Road last night. She was conveyed to the Government Civil Hospital.

### LOCAL R.A.S.C. ASSOCIATION

#### CIVILIAN MEMBERS DESIRED

A dance will be held under R.A.S.C. Regimental Association auspices at the Garrison Lecture Hall on Friday, November 9, from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. The price of tickets will be \$1 each for gentlemen, ladies by courtesy.  
As the Royal Army Service Corps have served in the Colony for some time, there are probably several ex-members of the Corps holding civilian appointments here, and one of the main reasons for holding the dance is to get into touch with them and make them welcome. This is in keeping with one of the great objects of the Association—"to foster esprit-de-corps amongst members and ex-members of the Corps."

The beginning of this year saw the inauguration of an R.A.S.C. Company in Hongkong, 12 Company being moved here from Shanghai. In all its previous history in the Colony, the Corps had been treated as a detachment. In view of this, the Commanding Officer, Lieutenant Colonel J. E. Finken, M.C., revived interest in the Hongkong branch of the Regimental Association, and called a general meeting at which future plans were discussed. Great interest has been shown in the tennis tournaments, socials, etc., held under Association auspices, and it would greatly add to the pleasure in these events if civilian comrades could be present. The R.A.S.C. seem likely to do big things in their own sphere of sporting events in the Colony, neither of the first teams having yet met with a reverse this season at football, hockey or cricket. It is hoped to add a few Hongkong "pots" to those earned by 12 Company at Shanghai.

Any civilian ex-member of the Corps who may be interested in the objects of the Association will be supplied with necessary information on application to the Hon. Secretary, C.Q.M.S. Mound, 12 Company R.A.S.C. Office.

### LOCAL PAINTING COMPETITION

#### AMBULANCE BRIGADE ENTERPRISE

The St. John Ambulance Brigade has decided to arrange a painting competition, the proceeds of which are to be devoted towards the St. John Hospital at Cheung Chau and towards Brigade Headquarters funds.

There are to be three sections—Chinese paintings, Western paintings, and a junior section. The latter is for Chinese and European children under the age of 16 years, and both this section and the section for Western paintings will be divided into Life, Still Life, Pictorial Drawing and Decorative Design classes.

The competition is confined to amateurs, and pictures must be no less than 84 square inches in size. Silver cups will be awarded for the best three entries in each section, and there will be a silver shield for the best picture entered. If there are sufficient entries there will be a number of consolation prizes.

Pictures will be exhibited later and auctioned.  
Pictures must be sent together with an entrance fee of 30 cents for children and 50 cents for adults not later than December 31, to the Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Langley. Names of candidates to be written at bottom right hand side corner. The pictures will be judged by prominent European and Chinese artists.

### EAST MEETS WEST ON MODERN AIRWAY

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blood-red ibis! Then Natal, goal of Transatlantic flyers, where the talk, in soft-throated Portuguese, is of coffee and copra and cotton. Rio next day! The city, forest-girl and flower-filled, is a breathless pause between the upward thrust of her mighty granite cones and the still indigo of her seas. The benches gleam like many coloured silks upon a counter or daggers gently curved in cases of blue damask.

After four thousand miles of Brazil, linked by her forests with the virgin growth of the Amazon, there is Uruguay, the Russia of South America, modern and experimental. And, at long last, Buenos Aires, an imperial city built on a scale to suit the Argentine of 2034, when that vast republic, where land is measured by the square league, will welcome immigration on the same scale as she now broods on it.

Buenos Aires—and to a final whisper from the guardian radio, which has directed the seaplane from Miami, "Wind—Direction—Visibility," the great machine circles down on to the River Plate.

### PACIFIC AFFAIRS

#### LECTURER ON BENEFITS OF UNDERSTANDING

Under the auspices of the League of Nations Society, Hongkong, a most interesting lecture entitled "Language and International Understanding" was delivered by Mr. Bruno Lasker, in the Cathedral Hall on Tuesday afternoon.

The Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotschall, who took the chair, introduced the lecturer, who being Associate Editor of *Pacific Affairs*, and Staff Member of the Institute of Pacific Affairs, was particularly well qualified to speak on the subject he had chosen for his address.

Mr. Lasker commenced by saying that frequently he had been asked how one joined the Institute of Pacific Affairs. His reply was that one does not join, but rather one becomes connected with whatever international relations club or society existed in the locality. He was specially glad therefore to find that in Hongkong there existed a League of Nations Society whose object was to promote mutual understanding between nations.

The first ideas of international understanding had been very vague. It was thought that it was more or less synonymous with goodwill, which some people interpreted as forcing themselves to think well of others and overlook shortcomings. But modern history had justified another and different attitude towards international understanding, namely, that it must, along with goodwill, be based upon real mutual knowledge of the other nations' character. Mutual knowledge, the speaker asserted, without mutual liking, was a better safeguard of peace and co-operation between nations than mutual liking without real mutual knowledge.

Hence the Institute of Pacific Affairs has used all its efforts to promote understanding of the peoples of the Pacific, of their resources, problems and aspirations, quite irrespective of the question whether such knowledge would lead to a great mutual liking or not. Many causes of conflict have their source in misunderstanding. And even movements with which we cannot sympathise fail to arouse our passionate antagonism if we know the causes from which they arise.

#### Community of Interest.

The problem of lessening the sense of difference created by nationality may be approached in two ways. We may emphasise the communities of interest which cut across nationality. A Chinese zoologist has more community of interest with a Dutch zoologist, though neither speaks the other's language, than a Chinese silk merchant has with a Hunan peasant.

Or we may come to grips with the question of language. Now language is not merely a question of vocabulary. That there is often no exact equivalent in one language for a term used in another is the common experience of the bilingualist. This does not mean that the one language is richer or poorer than the other. It is rather that language expresses the experience of a people, and is interwoven into that nation's cultural development. And within the language of one country words are not limited to their dictionary meanings, for tone and inflection of voice introduce emotional associations.

So when a Japanese speaks of Manchuria as his country's "lifeline," this signifies more than a cold abstraction or a verifiable factual statement. It signifies something which can only be understood through a sympathetic feeling for popular attitudes which have emerged from Japanese history.

So again the words of Sun Yat-sen's will mean one thing to the foreigner who hears them and measures their truth against that of other political and social principles, and another thing to the Chinese who reads them. We are thus led to the conclusion that language as a means of mutual understanding cannot be altogether separated from the cultural settings in which the idioms arise. The Institute of Pacific Affairs holds the view that it is unfair to expect Orientals to make all the effort of language learning; and it has succeeded in securing greater attention to the teaching of Oriental languages at a number of western educational institutions.

#### Use of One Language.

The proposal has been made to cut through the complexities of the language situation in the Pacific area by nominating one language as the recognised medium for international communication. There are those who advocate English as the *lingua franca* of the East. But from what has already been said, this, the speaker asserted, is a wholly unfair contention. It means that the peoples of the Orient, already overburdened with the task thrust upon them of adjusting themselves to the machine civilisation

### BRITISH AIR LINE TO CHINA

#### OUTLOOK NOT TOO GOOD

London, Oct. 24.

"The prospect of a China branch of Imperial Airways Service to Australia seems dead," a high aviation authority told *Reuter* to-day. He added that China still refuses to allow any foreign aeroplanes to enter her territory, for fear that she will be obliged to admit Japanese aeroplanes.

The same authority, when questioned regarding the high speed maintained by American air liners, said that it was purely a question of money. High speed planes needed extra large aeroplanes which are easily obtainable in America, but most difficult to obtain on the British-Eastern routes. The Americans also had in their favour special meteorological and directional equipment.

It was pointed out that whereas special aviation petrol costs 7d. per gallon in America, it costs 2s. 3d. in Asia. The American air lines received nearly \$8,000,000 annually in subsidies and mail contracts, whereas British air lines covering Europe, Asia and Africa received only \$500,000. With reference to the commencement in December of the British air service to Australia, it is learned that Italy has now withdrawn her prohibition against British planes crossing Italian territory. France, however, is still withholding permission, despite the fact that French planes to Indo-China freely cross India.—*Reuter*.

The second annual Grade School Art and Handicrafts Exhibition, the objectives of which are to develop latent abilities in art and handicraft work among youngsters and to provide an outlet for the displaying of their creative capabilities and handicrafts, opened its doors to the public yesterday afternoon at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. The Exhibition will be on for four days, between the hours of 1 p.m. and 9 p.m. ending on Saturday. Twenty-six schools have sent an aggregate number of 1,300 exhibits for display. Much of the success of the Exhibition is due to the interest and hard work of the Preparatory Committee composed of Messrs. Tso Yuk-wah, chairman; Lee Yuk-tong, H. M. Cheng, Y. Y. Chan, S. S. Tung, K. C. Lai, and Miss Alice Kwok.

Over \$2,100 in money and property was stolen from the Man On Pawnshop at Main Street, Tsan Wan, by two armed men who held up the accountant with a revolver at closing-up hour last night. One of the men was identified as a former employee of the shop.

When walking in Prince Edward Road last night, Wong Hing, 15-year-old son of Lam Teoi, left her track of an auto truck. He was knocked down and fatally injured, death occurring after admission to hospital.

of the West, have also to familiarise themselves with the whole cultural background of western civilisation.

The need for emphasising the claims of the cultural development recognised by French and Dutch colonial administrations, which in the past have overstressed the cultural value of the language of the mother country.

The speaker next touched upon artificial international languages, and at some length upon Basic English, but for these he did not have a great deal of use as media for promoting international understanding. He compared them to a system of signposts, giving clues to possible meanings without being able to transmit the meanings themselves. The use of some such medium would give the semblance of increased intellectual relations between peoples, when actually there was only an increase of superficial contacts without new understandings.

In closing, Mr. Lasker reminded his audience that there could be no short cut. We must take the difficult but certain way. We wish to be interpreters between the cultures of the East and West require more than the ability to translate. We require the ability to place ourselves in the mental realm of the culture from which the piece of literature we are translating emanates. With the background of such intimate knowledge of a country's history and mentality, of its ethnic and economic composition, its problems and its public opinion, correct understanding of any new piece of reliable information about it will be a matter of habit. In short, learning to speak a foreign language in order to make our contribution to international understanding means learning to know a foreign people.

After the conclusion of the lecture the meeting was thrown open, and some interesting discussions took place on Basic English and other subjects.

Sir William Hornell moved a vote of thanks to the speaker, and expressed the appreciation of all present for the admirable paper he had read.

### RADIO BROADCAST

#### Children's Concert From The Studio.

#### Z.E.K. PROGRAMME.

From ZBW on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles).  
5-6 p.m. A Relay of the Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra from the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden.  
6-6.30 p.m. Children's Studio Concert.

6.30-7 p.m. A Relay of the Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra from the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden.  
7 p.m. Closing Local Stock Quotations, London and New York Stock and Commodity Quotations.  
7.05-7.30 p.m. Ethelbert Nevin Selections.

Orchestra—A Day in Venice. Victor Salon Orchestra.  
1. Dawn;  
2. Gondoliers;  
3. Venetian Love Song;  
4. Good Night.

Vocal—My Desire ("Songs from Vincere").  
Vocal—Mighty Lark a Rose. Lewis James (Tenor), Olive Kilne (Soprano) and Victor Salon Group.

Vocal—At Twilight: Oh, that we two were Maying; At Rest. Wilfred Glenn (Bass) with the Victor Salon Group.

Vocal—The Rosary. Robert Simmons (Tenor) and the Victor Salon Orchestra.  
7.30-8 p.m. From the Studio.

Humorous Interlude by Bryan Lewis Programme.

1. Germs.  
2. Two Vegetarian Ballads.  
3. Some side lights on Association Football.

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.  
8.05-10.30 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

9-9.20 p.m. A Talk on "The Military Tattoo" (in Chinese) by The Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, K.T., C.M.G.  
9.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletin, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations.

10.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletin, Rugby Mid-day Press News, Further London Stock and Commodity Quotations, followed by New York Opening Quotations.

10.40 p.m. Close Down.  
All Relays of the Hongkong Hotel Orchestras are by courtesy of the Management.

#### Z.E.K. PROGRAMME.

8.30-10 p.m. European Recorded Programme from ZEK on a frequency of 640 kc's.

8.30-9 p.m. Light Opera.  
Vocal Gems—The Pirates of Penzance. (Gilbert and Sullivan).

Columbia Light Opera Company. Selection—Gipsy Love (Lehar). De Groot and his Orchestra. Vocal Gems—The Yeomen of the Guard (Gilbert and Sullivan).

Columbia Light Opera Company. Selection—The Waltz Dream (O. Strauss).

De Groot and the Piccadilly Orchestra.  
9-9.30 p.m. Madame Amelita Galli-Curci (Soprano) Fritz Kreisler—Violin.

1. Fritz Kreisler; Humoreske, Op. 101, No. 7 (Dvorak).

Caprice Viennois (Kreisler). 2. Madame Amelita Galli-Curci; Chanson Indoue, of India (Rimsky-Korsakov).

Bolero—Les Filles de Cadix (Delibes). 3. Fritz Kreisler; Liebesleid (Love's Joy) (Kreisler).

Liebesleid (Love's Sorrow) (Kreisler). 4. Madame Amelita Galli-Curci; Carceleras (Prison Song) (Chapli).

Serenata (Tosti). 9.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletin, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations.

9.35-10 p.m. Light Orchestral Music. Saschinka (Schirrmann).

Marek Weber and His Orchestra. A Musical Jig-Saw (arr. A. W. Aston).

Regal Cinema Orchestra. Berceuse (Jarnfeldt).


Orchestra Raymond. Waltzes from Vienna—Waltz Medley (arr. Korngold).

Jack Hylton and His Orchestra. 10 p.m. Close Down.

#### CINEMA NEWS

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ho one of the most entertaining pictures of the season. Rollicking humour, amid which runs a charming love story, a background of Paris and its spectacular fashion shows, the *Fine Arts Ball*, joyous night spots, and the historic landing of Lindbergh are among the high spots of a very engaging piece of entertainment. Madge Evans is charmingly sincere as Julie Bell, the heroine, and a clever comedy foil is her companion, Una Merkel, as the cynical illustrator. Otto Kruger gives a splendidly convincing characterization as the philandering news correspondent, and Robert Young an equally gripping performance as the loyal friend. The comedy interludes are in the capable hands of Ted Healy as the bartender in the American bar, Edward Brophy as the blundering well intentioned reporter, and Bert Roach as the "drunk". Louise Henry, George Meeker, Richard Tucker and others are in the cast.

  
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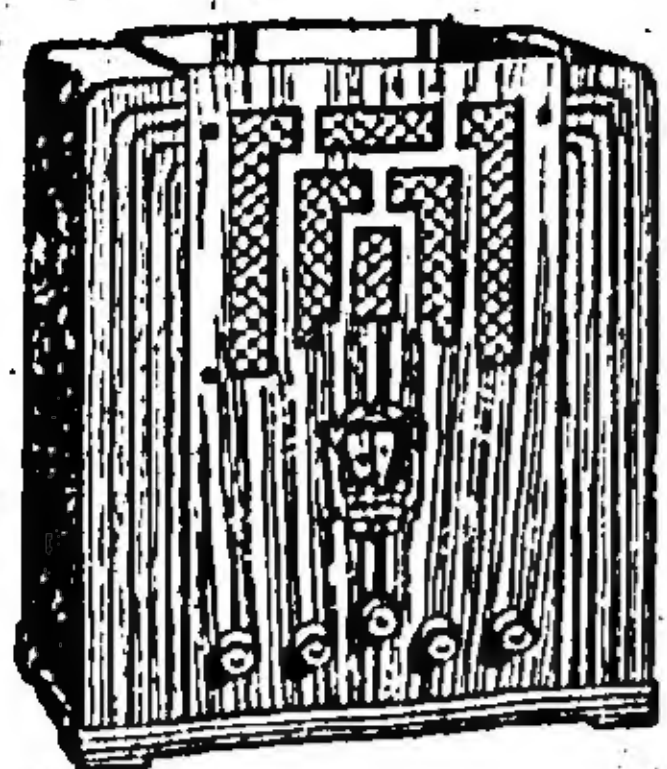
  
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## BOWLERS' WICKET

### LESS THAN HUNDRED RUNS AT POKFULAM

In a match that produced less than a hundred runs, a team from the Hongkong University beat St. Joseph's College at cricket at Pokfulam yesterday by six wickets. The College boys were dismissed for 40, and although this total was passed by the Undergraduates with six wickets in hand, their eventual total was only 60. Scores:

St. Joseph's College.	
A. H. Baker, c. Rodriguez, b. Tata	0
Y. Barua, b. Blake	4
H. Asome, b. Tata	4
A. Razack, c. Ng, b. Blake	5
Y. Esmail, b. Blake	7
J. Veiga, b. Tata	7
A. Runjahn, hit wkt., b. Blake	7
E. Petrofe, run out	0
J. Horowitz, c. Ng, b. Blake	0
R. Summons, not out	0
K. Singh, b. Blake	0
Extras	1
Total	40

Bowling Analysis.	
O. M. R. W.	
Tata	7 3 15 3
Blake	7 3 17 0

University.	
D. Hunt, b. Asome	7
Y. H. Kan, b. Asome	1
D. S. Blake, b. Asome	1
K. L. Ng, b. Asome	10
D. Tata, b. Asome	19
W. C. Chin, c. Baker, b. Esmail	19
Alonso, run out	0
Thompson, st. Baker, b. Asome	0
Rodriguez, not out	0
E. K. Tai, c. Veiga, b. Asome	0
H. C. Ho, c. Asome, b. Esmail	0
Extras	1
Total	66

Bowling Analysis.	
O. M. R. W.	
Asome	10 1 26 7
Razack	6 1 19 0
Esmail	7 2 10 2

## HOME RUGBY

### CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY BEAT ST. BARTS COUNTY MATCHES

London, Oct. 24. At Beckenham yesterday the Kent County XV defeated the Eastern Counties by 11 points to 8, while at Enghelourne Surrey beat Sussex County by 28 points to 6.

Cambridge University beat St. Barts Hospital by 26 points to 8.—*Reuter.*

## LEAGUE FOOTBALL

### Kowloon F.C. Team Against Lincolns

The following team will represent the Kowloon Football Club in their Senior Division encounter with the Lincolns on Saturday at 4.30 p.m. on the Kowloon Football Club ground.—S. Boyer; R. Everest and J. Eastman; J. T. K. Gilchrist, A. S. Bliss and B. Whithead; A. T. Lee, H. C. Elliott, C. White, V. White and D. Knox. Reserve—C. Cord.

At Caroline Hill yesterday, the Naval Patrol Rangers defeated H.M.S. Wisland by three goals to two in a fast soccer match.

## BILLIARDS

### DAVIS LEADING IN CHAMPIONSHIP

Melbourne, Oct. 24. At the close of play in the final of the world's billiards championship to-night, Joe Davis (England) was leading Walter Lindrum (Australia) by 17,084 to 17,261.

At the interval, Lindrum was leading by 16,492 to 16,372. Davis's best breaks to-day were 124, 581, 353 and 383. Lindrum's best breaks were 584, 359 and 306 (unfinished).—*Reuter.*

## NO PASSPORTS

### AMERICAN'S CONVICTION QUASHED

Application for the re-hearing of a case in which Henry Harry Fest, a young unemployed American, was fined \$100 or two months' imprisonment on Friday, for entering Hongkong without a valid passport, was made by Mr. T. P. K. Kemble, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, before Mr. E. W. Hamilton in the Central Magistracy yesterday.

His Worship granted the application. After evidence by Sergeant Whitley, of the Water Police, to the effect that he took defendant off the Empress of Canada at the request of the ship's officers, who had hoisted a Police flag, Sergeant Mottram stated that on the morning of October 17, he went on board the Empress of Canada to examine passports. Defendant was produced by the purser of the ship as a stowaway without a passport. The purser explained that some hours after the ship had left Manila, defendant presented himself to him. He had no ticket, but offered to buy one to Shanghai. The purser had unwisely accepted the money and placed him on the passenger list. On the ship's arrival in Hongkong, it was realised that the defendant had no passport. It was useless to take him to Shanghai because he would not be allowed to land there.

### Police View.

Sergeant Mottram advised the purser to hand defendant over to the Water Police and to find out what could be done. The Water Police went into the matter and told the purser that it was of no use to charge defendant with stowing away because the purser had accepted money from him.

Defendant had deserted his ship at Manila and had made his way to Manila. He wished to get to Shanghai, but the authorities in Manila would not give him a passport. Sergeant Mottram discussed the situation with the defendant, who reluctantly agreed to be sent back to Manila. It was to regularise his return to Manila that the prosecution was taken out under the Passport Ordinance.

His Worship: I was never aware that his intention was to go to Shanghai. Defendant then went into the witness-box and testified on oath that he had no intention of landing in Hongkong but was on his way to Shanghai when he was taken off the ship.

His Worship remarked that he failed to understand how the C. P. S. could have made such an error. They obviously realised they could not take him to Shanghai and just left him in the hands of the Hongkong Police. At the same time, defendant had only himself to blame for having got into such a situation. In view of the circumstances, his Worship would quash his previous conviction, which was obviously wrong.

Regarding the question as to what would happen to the defendant now, Sergeant Mottram said the C. P. S. were willing to take him back to Manila to-day.

### Consulate Help.

Mr. Kemble, however, said the American Consulate had cabled for confirmation of the defendant's story and were awaiting a reply. If his story was true, the Consulate would issue him a passport. In which case he could proceed to Shanghai. Defendant had some money and would be able to pay for his passage.

Sergeant Mottram said the Police had no objection to defendant staying in the Colony until a reply was received by the American Consulate, provided the stay was not too lengthy.

In dismissing the case, his Worship told the defendant that it was only his luck that stopped him from getting into trouble. If the purser had not accepted money from him in the first place, he would certainly have been punished as a stowaway, and if he arrived and landed

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Owing to the indisposition of Miss Helen Ho, Miss Stella Ho appeared alone and gave a delightful exhibition of the Skater's Waltz, with Miss E. Banker at the piano. Three beautiful violin selections were rendered by Professor F. Gonzales, who earned well merited applause. A serenade rendered by Mrs. W. Sinclair, a flute obligato by Mr. Trowt, with interpretation by Miss Daisy O'Keefe, also received the marked approval of the audience.

Interesting items were presented by the 4th. Kowloon Troop and 4th. Hongkong Troop, entitled "Shadow Play," and "Broadcasting," and were both well received.

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# BEACH CLUB GIRL

By MABEL McELLIOTT

## CHAPTER XXXIX

Boots went back to the little apartment she shared with Frances, and which Frances had occupied alone before her coming. Briefly she explained the situation. Frances was all sympathy, all understanding. Naturally Boots wanted to be with her people. If they needed her Boots glanced around the gay and colourful room in which she had been so happy. By contrast with the shabby house in Larchmont it was a particularly inviting air. All the soft hued lamps were lighted. Frances, in vivid pajamas of multi-coloured silk, tossed bread before the fire.

"I'm sorry, honey. I guess there's nothing else to do."

Frances cocked her bird-like dark head up at her.

Boots had her bags packed. The furniture all belonged to Frances. There was a flower print on the bedroom wall, one Boots had admired and Edward had bought for her.

"I'll take this," she said. "I'll remind me of our good times."

Her old room with its wide windows looked sparsely and shabby, but it had a welcoming air. Miss Florida had put an ivy plant on the hanging shelf and Mrs. Rueburn had put up clean curtains. They were so glad to see Boots that it hurt. She was ashamed that anything she might do would affect anyone. Her father turned in his chair to see her come in. She kissed his thin, faded cheek. Presently the doctor said, he might try to take a few steps but for the moment his post was here by the front window, watching the world go by.

It was strange taking her place again in this old, familiar room, seeing the same faces; hearing the same voices; realizing the old order of things still prevailed, no matter what her personal earthquake had been. Showers were still given for engaged girls, dances and rivalries were still rife in club and society. The Thanksgiving dinner now impending, embraced a host of small storms and quarrels and misgivings. Isabel told her about it all. Isabel now belonged to "the old girls."

Sylvia Rivers, Boots learned, had been abroad. She would be back "any day now." The thought of Sylvia left Boots unmoved. It seemed ages ago, centuries, that she had envied Sylvia, had hated and resented her. She went back and forth to the city every day. On the train she was absorbed in her novel, and her lists. Sometimes Edward drove her home and was tender and interested and concerned all the way. She didn't see Denis. Although she longed to have news of him she sedulously avoided mention of his name. That was a madness, she assured herself, that she had put behind her.

"Why do you do this?" Edward complained one night when he found her particularly white and tired. It had been a long, tiring day at the Bay Tree. Frances had been kept at home with a sick headache and several special orders had come in along with a really unusual press of business.

"Why not marry me and step right out of it all?" Edward urged with impatience.

Boots could not—would not explain the situation at home. Her pride would not permit it. To have Edward offering to subsidize her parents would be most humiliating. Besides, she felt definitely that this

was not the way out—marriage. She had slipped into it before as a means of escape from life that she hated. She was more mature, more sturdy now; she would not make that mistake again.

So she put him off. Not just now, she said. And Edward had to be content with that.

The coal bill, the light bill, groceries—it cost so much to live! The old house absorbed her small stipend greedily while her mother bewailed the necessity of daily almost hourly. On the last day of November the old boiler collapsed and Boots, in despair, summoned the local furnace man who had always served them. He spent an hour in the basement figuring, considering. A new boiler would be \$200.

"We can't pay it," Boots said with the calmness of utter despair.

"I'll take your note, Miss Boots," said Mr. Derringer who knew the family well.

The furnace was repaired and Boots signed the note. She cut down on lunches. She mended her worn stockings painstakingly. She raved inwardly at the knowledge that her mother travelled over to the Exchange with the dozens of velvet trays. How did people get money?

She marvelled. It seemed to her that they had never had enough, really, but things had never been so bad as this. She looked about her at the people they knew. No wonder most of the husbands and fathers looked tired and harried with the strain of it.

Life was quiet in the big house. Occasionally Isabel ran over for an evening's gossip. Once Johnny came in, rather embarrassedly, to call. But he was obviously awed by Boots' new status and went away. Boots found, moreover, that she had little to say to her contemporaries now. They seemed to move in a different world.

She passed Mrs. Fernell on the street Sunday afternoon and the older woman bowed cordially. She seemed to wish to stop and chatter but Boots went on her way coolly. She was not to be drawn into conversation with her old enemy. With sharpened vision and perceptions, she realized there was nothing Mrs. Fernell would have enjoyed so much as a resume of the whole affair. She would have liked the girl to grovel in spirit, saying, "You were perfectly right and I learned my lesson."

"If she thinks she's going to outdo me all over again she's mistaken," Boots said herself coolly. She could catch the flash of bafflement and frustration in the other woman's eye as she passed on.

But if the encounter with Mrs. Fernell failed to hurt her, the return of Sylvia Rivers did not leave her completely untouched. Boots was waiting for her usual early morning train on the crowded station platform when she heard a high, affected voice, a gust of rippling notes of laughter. Glancing up, she saw Sylvia, wrapped in the sleekest and softest of dark mink coats, walking toward her, attended by two or three young men.

Sylvia's high-heeled shoes were shining and elegant, setting off her narrow feet to perfection. Her dark hair was crowned by a fox-like cap of crushed golden brown petals. A wave of expensive scent preceded her. Boots, in her tweed coat which had seen three seasons' wear, her sturdy brogues and stockings darned at the heel, was conscious of her own

shabbiness. Sylvia's eyes flicked her once, raced past her; it was the cut direct.

Boots turned away quickly, her blood racing. It was silly, it was stupid to be hurt by the incident, she assured herself. Sylvia was ignorant, crass and cruel. But the blow stung, none the less, and all the way in to the city she read her paper with unseeing eyes, her heart burning angrily within her.

Sylvia's engagement to some young Oregonian was announced in the village paper that week and a score of "functions" followed in the announcement's wake. Sylvia's picture, a flattering one showing the Rivera heiress in an evening gown of daring cut with the inevitable orchids on her shoulder, smiled forth from the society pages. The day Boots saw this particular picture she paid the first instalment on the new furnace and had her brown shoes half soled.

"It isn't that I mind the grind," she whispered to herself, "only that I can't see my way ahead." It was becoming increasingly evident that her salary would not, could not, keep the wolf house going indefinitely. Every day some new need manifested itself. The plumbing was old; the roof leaked; the porch needed mending and painting.

Her mother grew thinner and more gaunt and more determinedly cheerful. Boots watched the gallant figure narrowly, fearfully.

The first snow of December fell, ushering in actual winter. Boots figuratively tightened her belt, thinking she must feel as a soldier does who faces a long siege. The invalid upstairs occupied himself with his solitaire, his books. Miss Florida came and went. She was giving music lessons now but they knew her finances were low and reluctantly accepted the small amount she gave them weekly. They could not have managed without Miss Florida. She stayed with Mr. Rueburn when his wife went to the Exchange morning and afternoon. She was invaluable, both for her spirit and her physical aid. Boots, as a school girl, had been mildly tolerant of the spare, angular spinster with the rather gushing laugh. Now she thought the plain face actually beautiful and the thin hands held in them a kindness like the smile which she was not likely to know again.

But it was not easy going for the girl. She had her moments of black discouragement, difficult to conceal. It was in one of these that Edward, climbing up to the attic in his big car one early winter twilight, found her "Drop all this," he urged almost angrily. "Let me take care of you, of all of them. I want to do it."

It was tempting. The snow fell steadily outside. Boots dared not buy the warm thing she needed to keep out the mounting cold. And Edward, murmuring in her ear, talked of a warmer climate for her father, gulf stream currents, eternal sunshine.

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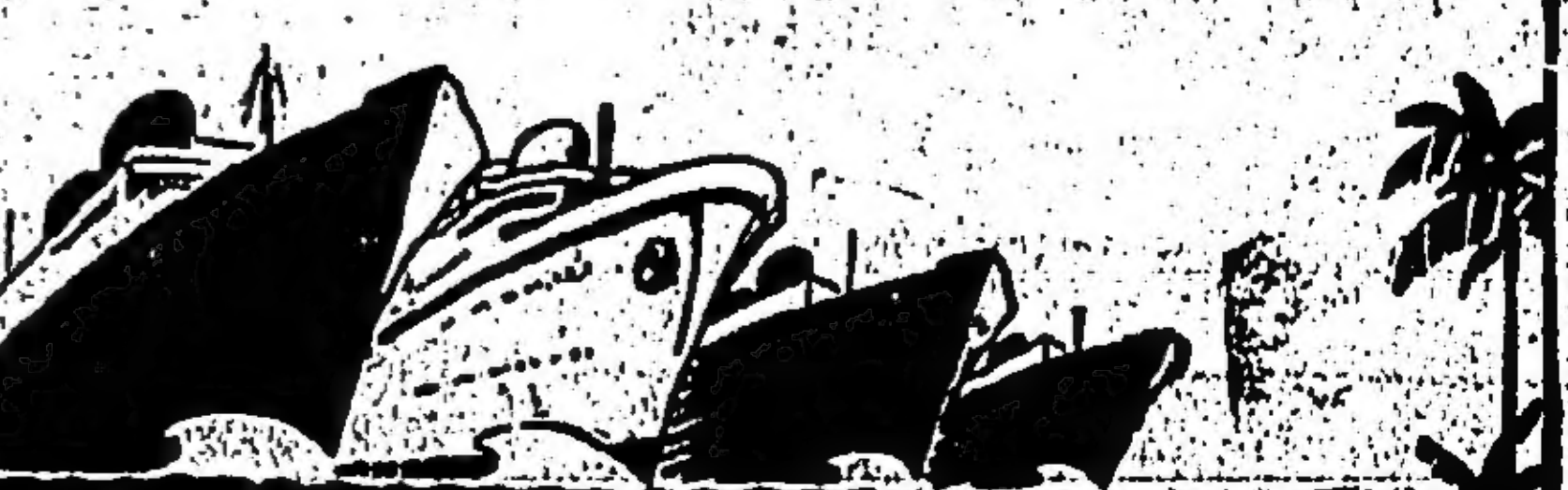
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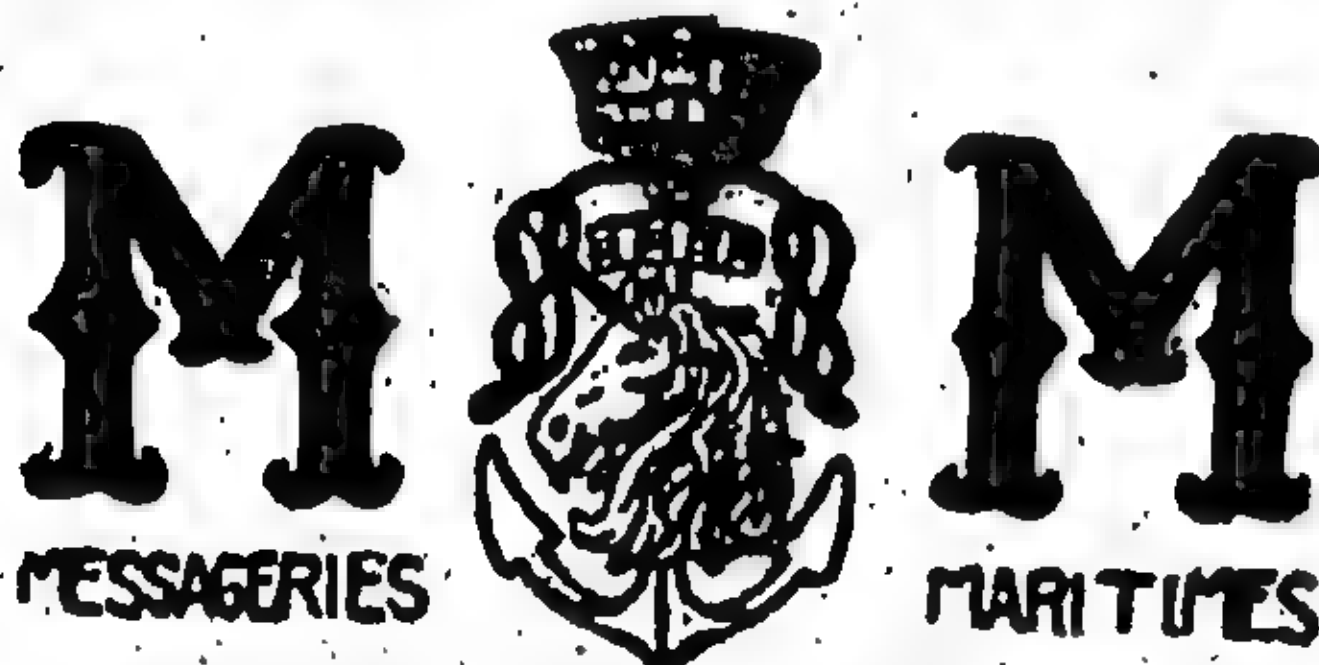
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By W. E. McKenney

Who are the better contract players, men or women? You are not going to get me into that controversy, but I will say that there are more good women players than there are good men players. In the important tournaments, generally, five to six men are entered for every woman. Therefore, the odds on a man winning are five or six to one.

I will say this, a good woman player makes a very capable partner. Her reasoning on the play of the hand usually is very fine.

Mrs. Richard Fields of Cincinnati.

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Shanghai, Oct. 24.

The new "Douglas" plane, "Canton" belonging to the Chinese National Aviation Corporation under-takes a trial flight from Shanghai to Foochow early yesterday morning, before resuming the Shanghai-Canton air mail and passenger service. The trial flight was successfully concluded to-day when she returned to Shanghai.

Along the route, Mr. Bixby, vice-Chairman of the Corporation, who was aboard the plane, together with several other staff members, was in continuous communication with the newly constructed wireless station at Shanghai.

The Chinese National Aviation Corporation has decided to resume the Shanghai-Canton air service on November 2.—Central News Agency.

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## DIVAN BRAWL, SEQUEL.

## REMARKABLE STATEMENTS OF ACCUSED

The evidence of a 14-year-old boy, who witnessed the alleged stabbing of the inmate of an opium divan, occupied two hours at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, when the trial of Lo Siu-kwong for manslaughter was continued before Mr. A. D. MacGregor, the Chief Justice.

The victim of the alleged brawl was Chan Sap-yeo, aged 30, the sworn brother of the accused, and the Crown's case is that he was stabbed in the chest with a pair of scissors by Lo following an altercation at No. 207, Hollywood Road, on the night of September 27.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, Assistant Attorney General, instructed by Mr. W. J. Lockhart Smith, conducted the case for the Crown, while Mr. Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr. P. H. Kwok, of Peter H. Sin and Co., appeared for the defence.

The jury consisted of Messrs. J. P. A. Davis (Foreman), F. S. Elliott, M. R. Bell, T. M. Vasu Devan, S. J. Pollock, A. E. B. da Silva and M. I. Davis.

Kwong Chun, aged 14, said he lived at the opium divan as a house boy. On the day in question deceased was lying with one Lau Loon on an opium bed when accused came in and said: "What about the matter?"

## Stabbed in Chest.

After some discussion, in which accused seemed very angry, he challenged Chan to come outside. Chan did not do so and accused went up to the bed and struck him in the eye. Chan picked up a chinaware pillow to strike him back, and accused stabbed Chan in the chest with a scissors blade. The pillow struck accused on the head and broke. Lau Loon tried unsuccessfully to stop the assault.

Lau Loon gave evidence of similar nature, and said his impression was that accused asked deceased to go outside as he wanted to say something to him alone. Accused appeared angry.

Ah Hing said he saw accused in the cubicle.

Inspector O'Donnell gave formal evidence of his inspection of the scene of the crime.

Wong Lau, Police Inspector, gave evidence of the arrest of accused in Canton.

In cross examination he said he

received a letter from the Canton police which had been written by accused whilst in custody. Accused did not say that the letter had been taken from him before he had finished it, but he did give witness another letter which he had written to his people. He told witness that he was prepared to pay any compensation that might be required even if he had to sell his property and keep deceased's wife all her life. He had been on good terms with deceased and had not meant to kill him.

## Sworn Brothers.

The statements were read out to the court as follows:—"I must commit suicide... though I do not know whether when I get to Hongkong I shall be killed or not... You should ask his brothers not to give evidence against me and to help save my life, pay them compensation even if \$700 is needed. I am seriously wounded and shall probably die anyway. You should save my life even if we have to sell our house."

The other statement addressed to brothers Woo and Wing said:—"Surely you have been grieved since the death of your younger brother but you should not be too sorry so as not to hurt your health... He died from having been wounded... but there must have been other causes. He suffered from consumption and so had to smoke opium... It was not because I stabbed and wounded him. He inflicted on me several serious wounds. We have been sworn brothers for a number of years and have associated together and loved each other. We never had a dispute before. Moreover I saved his life on two different occasions."

The statement went on to allege that deceased had frequently made off with accused's clothes and had squandered money borrowed for business for them both, on women and wine. It continued: "I have been unfair to him in a fit of anger, but if a man is dead you cannot bring him to life again. I will give you compensation... though you cannot call it compensation—it is giving his soul rest... As for his death I do not know who is responsible."

## Counsel Rebuked.

At the close of the hearing, Mr. Lo said the Crown should be made to call Dr. Mak, who was seen by accused immediately after the incident and who had made certain statements to the police. The Crown ought to call evidence which was in their favour and might be

## COPPER PRICES

## SHARP RISE REPORTED IN LONDON

London, Oct. 24.

A complete change in sentiment has been experienced on the London Copper Market, where the price of metal continues to advance on good trade and speculative buying.

To-day's opening price was £27 15s. per ton, compared with £23 13s. 9d. touched on October 4.

The sudden change in the trend of prices is entirely due to the belief that restriction will be adopted by all American producers. It is believed that such a curtailment would absorb the surplus which is regularly dumped on the London market.

A significant fact has been the absence of American sales here during the past few days.

Once all American producers complete an agreement for a cut in production, there is no reason why the rest of the world producers should stand out of some form of a world restriction Scheme.—Reuter.

## TOWNSHIP WRECKED.

## TORNADO PLAYS HAVOC IN UNEMPLOYED CAMP

Marionville, Mo., Oct. 24.

A terrific tornado, descending suddenly on the Civilian Conservation Camp near here, killed two members of the Conservation Corps, and injured 40.

The Camp was entirely demolished, and 80 residences. In Marionville were wrecked. Damage estimated at \$8100,000 was caused in the area affected by the path of the tornado.

Power and communications have been entirely cut off.—United Press.

beneficial to the defence.

His Lordship: I have no power to make any such order. Can you give me the authority to compel the Crown to call a witness they do not wish to call?

The authority not being forthcoming, his Lordship later reminded Mr. Lo that he could call the witness himself.

Mr. Lo: After the police have got at him?

His Lordship: Please do not use the expression "Got at him." It is capable of two constructions. You should say, "After he has accorded an interview to the police."

The hearing was adjourned.

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# JAPAN SEEKS COMPLETE HEGEMONY IN PACIFIC

## EQUALITY PLEA VEILS AMBITION

## WILL BRITAIN AND U.S. SURRENDER?

### "PACIFICATION" OF CHINA PLANNED

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

(By Telegraph. Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894. Received, Oct. 25, 12.48 p.m.)

Washington, Oct. 24.

It is learned on the best authority that American officials consider the Japanese naval equality proposals no more than a veiled programme for exclusive Japanese hegemony in the Asiatic Pacific, leaving the United States and Britain out of the picture altogether.

The sole question for Britain and America to decide at the forthcoming naval conference is whether they will withdraw entirely from the Far East, abandoning the principle of an "open door" to China, it is claimed.

Washington opinion seems to be that the existing naval ratios make it impossible for Britain and America to successfully resist any pressure Japan may exert in the Far East. It is felt, however, that the combined Anglo-American strength would be sufficient to maintain at least partial influence in Asia.

#### COMMON POLICY

It is indicated that the United States will be supported by Britain if she refuses to relinquish her historic positions in the Far East. Nevertheless, some naval authorities and substantial sections of the public, advocate complete withdrawal.

It is further indicated that the Japanese contention that equality of naval armaments would benefit the cause of world peace is based partly on the expectation of securing Far Eastern hegemony in order "to pacify" China.

The Japanese argue that an inferior naval ratio provokes Chinese insults and attacks upon Japanese interests in China, resulting in perpetual disturbances. Washington experts contend that if the Japanese are insulted it is because of the very frequent military invasions of Chinese territory. —United Press.

#### JAPAN'S RIGID STAND.

Washington, Oct. 24. The Japanese demand for naval parity appears to be destined to follow a hard-selling trail before the leaders of the United States Administration and the Navy Department accept even the principle of the argument. The Japanese demands run counter to the United States' position on almost every point.

Experts are of the opinion that the Japanese proposals will "amputate the heart of the Washington and London Treaties."

Japan's proposals would ultimately reduce the American Navy to a status little above that of a Coast Guard service, they claim.

Officials express the opinion that what the Japanese propose as an ideal and what they expect to get at the 1935 Naval Conference are two very different matters. —United Press.

#### AMERICA SHOCKED.

London, Oct. 24. It is learned in American quarters that the rigidity of the Japanese attitude evinced at the naval conversations has shocked the American delegates, who are amazed at the extent of the Japanese demands.

No initiative for keeping the talks secret came from Mr. Norman Davis, the United States chief delegate, who feared that publicity would prevent a Japanese retracement later.

It is learned that Japan, among other things, hinted at her intention to abrogate the Washington Treaty.

The United States delegation

### PACIFIC FLIGHT DELAYED

Kingsford Smith's Plans Changed

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Suva, Oct. 25.

Unfavourable weather has delayed the continuation of Air Commodore Sir Charles Kingsford Smith's trans-Pacific flight.

He will probably attempt to take off for Honolulu on October 29 when the beach will offer a good run-way in the early morning. —United Press.

### ANOTHER RACE THROUGH CANAL

AMERICAN FLEET'S MANOEUVRES

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Washington, Oct. 24.

Officials here stated to-day that the Navy would make an effort to set a new record for the fleet's passage of the Panama Canal. It was hoped to improve upon the 47 hours time required for the transit of the fleet last summer.

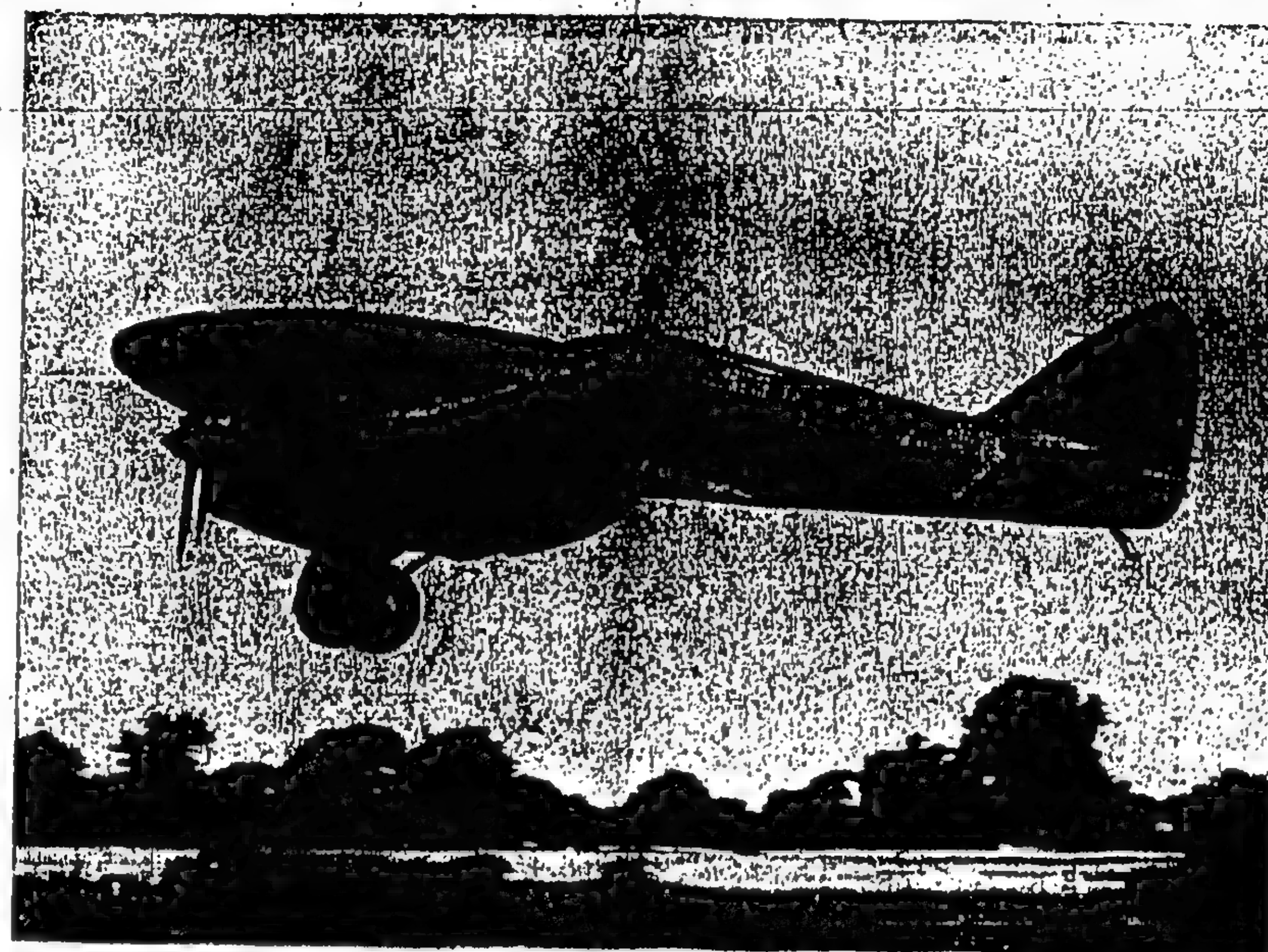
Officials would not comment upon reports that the fleet was going into the Pacific ahead of schedule on November 1.

Reports from Cristobal state that the canal was closed to commercial traffic while warships raced through in speed tests. —United Press.

met and discussed the Japanese proposals in what is described as a distressed state of mind. —Reuter.

#### MORE CONVERSATIONS.

London, Oct. 24. The Japanese and United States delegations were engaged in informal conversations to-day in connection with the series of bilateral conversations which are taking place in London preparatory to next year's Naval Conference. —British Wireless.



Picture shows the de Havilland Comet long-distance racing plane, fitted with two 200 h.p. Gipsy-Six engine which Scott and Campbell Black won the big race from England to Melbourne. (Photo by courtesy of Messrs. Arnold and Co., Ltd., local agents for de Havilland planes).

## FRENCH SEIZE SPY GANG

STRATOSPHERE AIR LINES

Italians Will Hop To Buenos Aires

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Rome, Oct. 24.

The Italian air force will make another epochal flight when two squadrons, specially equipped, will fly through the stratosphere from Rome to Buenos Aires, it is learned in reliable quarters to-day.

The attempt will be made next spring and will be the forerunner of a regular Rome-Buenos Aires service. The distance can be covered in 36 hours. —United Press.

### MANCHUKUO'S OIL MONOPOY

U.S. AND BRITISH FIRMS PROTEST

Mukden, Oct. 25.

Details concerning the oil monopoly which Manchukuo proposes to establish have been received by representatives of British and American companies in the state.

The details have been communicated to the Governments of the companies concerned with a request to register an emphatic protest to Tokyo on the ground that the proposed arrangement is entirely contrary to the spirit of Article Three of the Nine Power Treaty. —Reuter.

#### IN WIRELESS TOUCH

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day:—

Doucalon, Huashan Maru, Nan-chang, Duisburg, Katie Moller, Tsuyama Maru, Tigre, Holhow, Losalebank, Coblenz, Hakusan Maru, Blitern, Noto Maru General Parahing, President Jefferson, Hain Maru.

BLIND MAN AMONGST CONVICTS

ESPIONAGE HEAD GETS FIVE YEARS

EXCITING WORK OF AGENTS

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Metz, Oct. 24.

An exciting story of the work of the French Intelligence Service was revealed to-day, following the arrest and conviction of a blind Prussian ex-officer.

It told of the capture of two spies, and the break-up of what is believed to be at least a vital arm of a system of espionage which has wide ramifications.

It has been known for some time that an extensive industrial and military espionage system, organised outside France, has been operating extensively. The arrests recently made are expected to be a severe blow to the organisation.

The blind man is the former Prussian army officer Captain Johannes Rathke. His assistant is Aloysius Frischmann, a twenty-four-year-old man who is described as "his master's eyes."

#### SUSPICIONS AROUSED.

Police suspicions were first aroused in March by the behaviour of a Frenchman, Otto Balthe, who confessed when questioned, that lack of money had forced him to supply a foreign power with information passed on verbally at secret meetings outside France.

The police made Balthe telephone Rathke asking for an urgent appointment for "extra good news."

A meeting-place was fixed at a cafe inside the French frontier, and the police, of course, were there.

Rathke was sentenced to eight months' imprisonment, and another man, since arrested, named Karl Krupp, alleged to be the head of the whole espionage system, was given a five year term.

Both have announced their intention to appeal. —Reuter Special.

## Lost Flier Found In Desert Gaol

AMERICANS HELD ON LANDING

AIR RACERS' PROGRESS

Basra, Oct. 25.

The mystery of the whereabouts of the American Lambert plane, piloted by John H. Wright of New York, has been cleared up to-day with the arrival of reports that it had landed with engine trouble at Mohammerah, where the crew was immediately arrested.

They were detained in spite of their passports, vised by the Persian Legation in London.

Their release was ultimately effected by two British residents and the airmen spent last night at Shaliba, near Basra, having flown to the point.

They state, however, that the delay has extinguished any chance they might have had in the handicap race. They will continue to Calcutta, in any event.

Squadron Leader Stodart has just arrived at Basra, having been delayed by accidents. He hopped off again almost immediately. —Reuter.

#### LEAVES CALCUTTA.

Calcutta, Oct. 25. Squadron Leader Stodart left here at 9.15 p.m.

Fifteen minutes later the Danish flier, Lieut. Hansen, took off. —Reuter.

#### AT CHARLEVILLE.

Charleville, Oct. 25. Cathcart Jones and K.F.H. Waller, in a Comet, arrived here at 8.50 p.m. (G.M.T.). —Reuter.

#### STICK TO JOB.

Singapore, Oct. 25. The New Zealanders, J. D. Howett and C. E. Kay are sticking to a tough task and taking their D. H. Dragon steadily along the race route. They arrived safely at Alor Star to-day. —Reuter.

#### NO DECISION POSSIBLE.

A British Wireless message says: The result of the handicap event, for which the first prize is £2,000, will not be known for some days as all pilots are allowed 10 days in which to reach Melbourne and only the actual flying time counts against the competitors.

Flying time includes all stops at places en route other than the 25 checking points, of which five are compulsory. The greatest handicap allowance is 42 hours 2 minutes 24 seconds to Hansen. (Continued on Page 9).

## WORLD NEARER STABILISATION

## ROOSEVELT SPEAKS TO BANKERS

## PARTNERSHIP FOR PROSPERITY

Washington, Oct. 24.

President Roosevelt, laying down a definite challenge to the Bankers of the Nation here to-night, called upon them to have confidence in the American People and to "resume their responsibility" to the Public.

The President said: "To-night, I ask the Bankers of this Country to renew their confidence in the People of the Country and I hope that you will take me at my word."

Contrary to general expectations, he gave no inkling as to the future plans of the Administration, monetary or otherwise.

He asserted that he had found "an agreement" between the Bankers that the Government's Emergency Credit Agencies should continue to lend until the Banks were "able and ready to take over these lending functions."

Many of his listeners regarded the following words in the nature of a challenge: "When that time comes" (i.e. when the Banks could take over the lending functions). "I should be only too glad to curtail the activities of these public agencies in proportion to the taking up of slack by privately-owned agencies."

The President ended his speech with a request for cooperation and "an alliance of all forces intent upon business recovery."

As regards the monetary uncertainty, which the Bankers had urged should be cleared-up, he said: "In respect of international relationships, I have been glad to note the growing appreciation of other Nations of the desirability of arriving quickly at a possible point of steadiness in prices and values. This objective of greater steadiness we have constantly kept before us as a National policy."

#### STABILISATION NEAR.

Some regarded the foregoing as an indication of the coming stabilisation of currency on an international basis and quickly contrasted it to the President's statement of two weeks ago to the effect that such stabilisation could not be undertaken until the prices of certain unnamed American commodities were at a more desirable level.

Defining his conception of the duties of the Chief Executive of the Nation, the President said that "the old fallacious notion of the Bankers on one side and the Government on the other had passed away. The Government, of necessity, must be the Leader and must be the judge of the conflicting interests of all groups in the Community, including the 'Bankers.' He added that "the Government is the outward expression of the common life of all citizens."

#### MEANS OF PROGRESS.

Again appealing for unity of action, he said that "true National wealth is not a static thing. It grows when men cooperate and stagnates in an atmosphere of misunderstanding and misinterpretation. Here in America, the material means are at hand for the growth of true wealth and it is in the spirit of American institutions that wealth should come as a reward of hard labour of mind and hand. That is what we call the 'profit system' and its real fulfillment comes in the general recognition of the rights of each factor in the Community. It is not in the spirit of partisanship but of partnership that America has progressed in the past."

#### HOPEFUL OUTLOOK.

Holding out hope for the immediate future, the President added: "The present steady and unmitigated revival of public demand for goods and services should provide the assurance necessary to the

financing of industrial life. The Government is lending every effort through the Treasury, the Federal Reserve System, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, the Securities Exchange Commission and the Federal Housing Administration to facilitate and encourage the revival of private investment."

Replying to criticisms of his relief expenditures, he asserted that there was need for the continuation of these outlays, "but the revival of business will steadily reduce this burden."

Turning to an important development that American businessmen were devoting greater individual attention to the wider problems of the Nation and of international affairs, the President said: "Let me make it clear to you all that the United States Government has daily, and even hourly, contact with sources of information covering not only every State in the Country but every other portion of the habitable Globe. This information is more complete, more informative and more accurate than that of any private agency."

#### WISE COURSE.

Referring to the bank closings of 1933, President Roosevelt stated that "the present security of the Banks bears witness to the wise course we then pursued. It is surmised that, when the history of these years has been written, the 1933 bank situation will occupy a prominent place, but even greater interest will be centred in that fact that in a few months not only the banking structure was strengthened, but the great Government lending agencies were pushed onward, saving a vast portion of farms, homes, railroads and corporations from disastrous deflation and liquidation."

"The time is now ripe for the alliance of all forces intent upon business recovery. Such an alliance will be found in Business, Banking, Agriculture, Industry, Labour and Capital. The possibilities of such a team, kindle our imagination and encourage determination to facilitate the tasks of those in the Government who are leading the Nation. The Nation not merely trusts and hopes that they will do their duty. The Nation is justified in expecting that they will do their duty." —Reuter.

#### TYPHOON RECURVES

The Royal Observatory reports: An intense anticyclone is centred to the north of the Yangtze Valley. The typhoon is filling up to the west of Donghoi. The Pacific typhoon appears to have recurred and is now probably in about Lat. 20° N., Long. 185° E., moving N.N.E. A deep depression is situated to the N.E. of Hakkai-do. Local forecast: N.E. winds moderate to fresh; cloudy.







# POLAND'S SPIRIT OF HIGH NATIONALISM

## Unsubdued After Years Of Cruel Suppression

### PLACE OF PERMANENCY

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

IN the ever-changing pageant of affairs the limelight has recently centred upon Poland as Europe's latest Wonderland. The cold-shouldering of the Eastern Locarno Pact and Colonel Beck's "minorities" outburst at Geneva are the signs of a change that has suddenly made Poland a centre of world speculation.

After an extensive tour of the country I find the Poles more united than at any time in the last 15 years on a policy of semi-political and wholly spiritual isolation from the rest of Europe.

"We have no intention of becoming the battle-ground of the next European war." This is how a prominent official in the Polish Ministry for Foreign Affairs summed up for me Poland's foreign policy, in itself a sure reflection of the opinions of the people.

Polish opinions are to-day more intensely nationalistic than that of any other European country. Everywhere in Poland I have found an epidemic of "isolationism".

My friend in the Polish Ministry described it as "absolute determination not to become entangled in a foreign alliance." And in this connection it is very noticeable that opinion in Warsaw is rapidly stiffening against French influences.

#### NO CATSPAW.

Poland is no longer content to be the cat-spaw of French statesmanship. She aims to rank as one

your fellow-countrymen wonder continually," I replied, "whether the friendly slap may not suddenly become a blow." "If it does," he said tersely, "Poland will be ready."

The recent demonstrations in Warsaw and elsewhere in favour of Poland's gesture to the League of Nations have no doubt been astutely engineered. But they indicate only too clearly the temper of the people and the strength of Marshal Pilsudski's following.

#### NATIONALISM'S WINDOW.

A visit to Poland is intensely illuminating. In this newly-recreated State can be seen all the qualities and defects of nationalism. Among all classes is displayed a fierce national pride. Even an hotel porter told me with a touch of fine arrogance that Poland has supplied coal to Great Britain during the General Strike.

Recently there has been held the first congress of Poles from all parts of the world and patriotic celebrations have taken place in Warsaw and Cracow.

At the moment Poland is the poor relation of the Great Powers. She is suffering from an inferiority complex which is sometimes manifested in an appearance of overweening self-confidence. Her roads are amongst the worst in Europe and she has no money to improve them. But inquiring the way as we motored we were invariably told that the road was good in Poland but with a shake of the head "In Lithuania it is bad."

#### WILL TO SUCCEED

The nation is poor but it has the will to succeed. Last year it was decided to raise an internal loan of £1,000,000 by means which closely resembled a capital levy. The result was the splendid total of £2,000,000. Yet even in Warsaw the people buy their cigarettes in ones or twos because they cannot afford a packet.

The sympathy and understanding of all nations must go out to Poland. She has her defects but she compels admiration. For a century and a half the country has been under foreign domination. During the whole of that time the Polish patriots worked to regain their independence. They rebelled and were brutally crushed. They rebelled again. The war continued for them till 1921. Their country was ceaselessly ravaged. But their spirit was never crushed.

To-day Poland has a permanent place on the map of Europe.

### BEER PLentiful BUT MILK SCARCE

### "GOOD LIVING" TO BE EXPENSIVE

### GERMANY WARNS GOURMETS

Whatever the German may have to go without this winter he will not have to forgo his glass of beer. The barley necessary for beer production and for other industrial purposes can easily be secured from the total harvest of summer barley.

The weekly report of the Institute for Business Research suggests that it is not the German people, but German cattle and poultry that will go short of food, for the harvest of fodder crops (beets, carrots, as well as pastures, hay, straw, and chaff) has been extraordinarily poor.

This means that there will be a shortage of such animal products as milk, cheese, and eggs. Of meat, on the other hand, there will be more than enough, as the scarcity of fodder will persuade farmers to send an abnormal number of cattle to the slaughterhouse. A plentiful supply of fish is also promised.

The report indirectly warns gourmets that "good living" is likely to be expensive, if not impossible. "The supplies of vegetables will probably give no cause for uneasiness," it observes, "for a resort is possible to the cruder types of vegetables (white cabbage and carrots) which in previous years could for the most part be used only for fodder purposes."

There are other guarded hints of forthcoming makeshifts distasteful to the gourmets. There seems to be no danger of there not being enough food to go round in Germany during the winter. But people will often have to put up with crude and adulterated forms of food.



Turkoman troops at the manoeuvres in the Kara-Kum desert in Russian Turkestan where the camel is indispensable for riders of the sands.

### BAND LEADER'S LIBEL CLAIM

### RESENTS CHARGE OF RACKETEERING

### TERM MISUNDERSTOOD

"I am afraid that my education has not covered a study of the American language," remarked Mr. Justice Swift, in the King's Bench Division, London, when counsel suggested that His Lordship might be acquainted with the meaning of the word "racketeer."

Mr. St. John Field was announcing the settlement of a libel action which Mr. John Wesley Vivian Payne, the well-known band leader, professionally known as Jack Payne, has brought against Mr. Len W. Hunt.

Mr. St. John Field stated that the defendant was an instrumentalist in another orchestra and was also a journalist. One of his activities had been the contribution of articles to a monthly American paper entitled the *Metronome*, which had a circulation in this country. In the November issue of that paper, last year, there appeared over the defendant's signature a series of accusations and statements about Mr. Payne which he was bound to challenge.

Counsel said that he did not wish to read the words. It was sufficient to state that they implied that Mr. Payne was a racketeering type of band-leader.

"Your Lordship perhaps knows that the American word 'racket' or 'racketeer' is very unpleasant indeed," said counsel.

His Lordship—I am afraid, Mr. St. John Field, that my education has not covered a study of the American language.

Mr. St. John Field—I hope that your Lordship will accept the statement from me that "racketeering" is a very unpleasant word indeed. It is applied to smuggling, banditry, and kidnapping.

Mr. Payne, he said, was compelled to issue a writ, and the action was for a time defended, but wiser counsel had now prevailed, and Mr. Hunt had consented to withdraw his defence. He had already published an apology in the *Metronome*, and his counsel would say in open court that Mr. Payne never wanted to make money out of the action, and was quite content to accept the apology and not ask for damages.

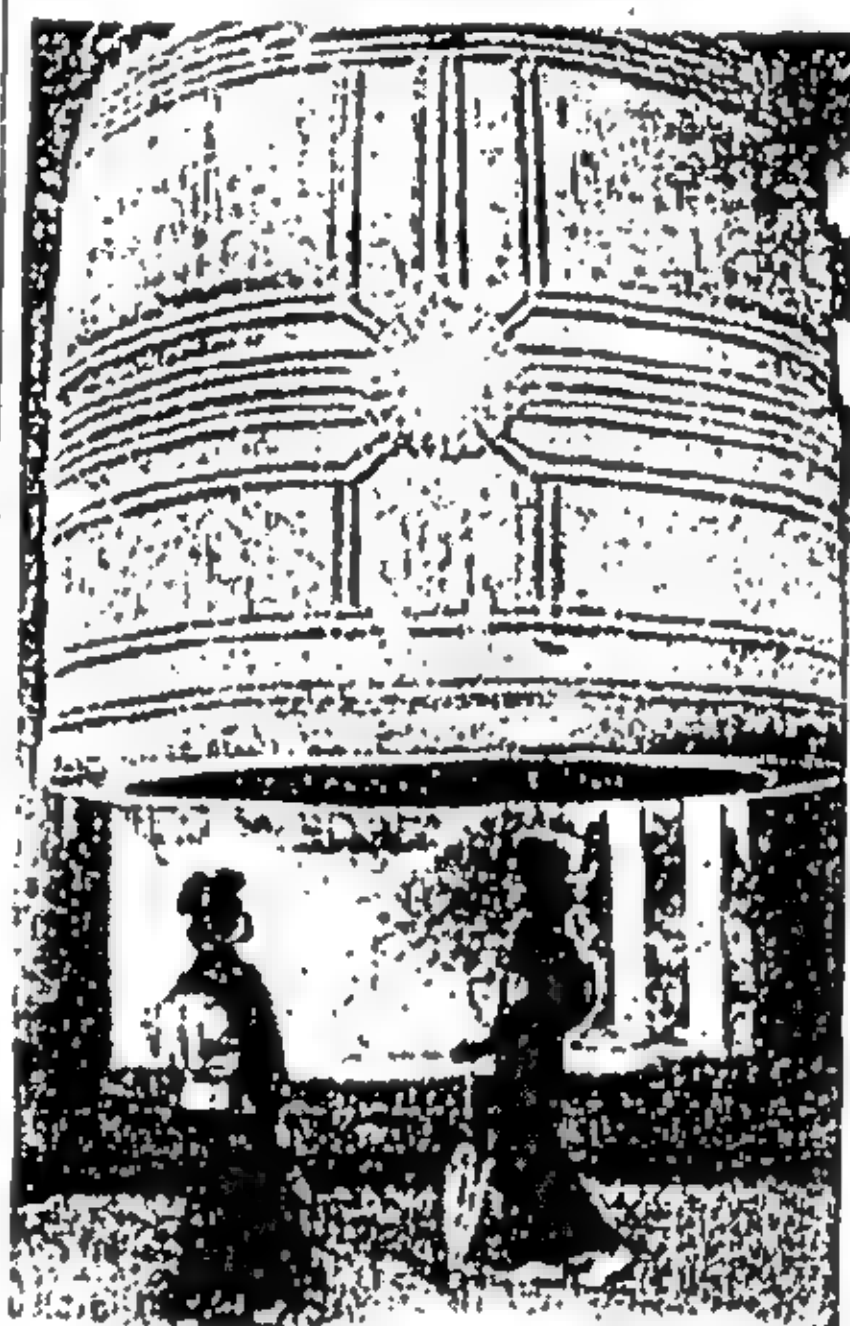
His Lordship assented.

### AIR SERVICE TO 1,000 ISLANDS

### AUSTRALIA LAUNCHES AMBITIOUS PLAN

The Australian Government, having rejected a tender for the Australia-New Guinea seaplane service is now contemplating calling for others.

The Government is also considering a proposal to establish a civil aviation base at Rabaul for a Government-owned service which would provide aerial communications for a thousand islands in the Bismarck archipelago. It has just been announced.



In the Japanese town of Kyoto which recently was damaged by a serious typhoon, the world's largest temple bell is found. It is 52 metres in height and weighs 700,000 kilos.

Mr. A. T. Denning, for Mr. Hunt, said that his client realised that owing to a misunderstanding he made the statement complained of. He now wished to withdraw the statement unreservedly, and to apologise to Mr. Jack Payne and express his sincere regret to him.

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### IMPERSONATES HIMSELF

### NOTED AIRMAN'S DETENTION

An extraordinary incident at Chertsey in August, when Mr. E. L. Gandar Dower, managing director of Aberdeen Airways Ltd., Dyce, Aberdeen, was alleged to have been arrested for impersonating himself and uttering forged cheques in his own name in the Chertsey district, was recalled at Marylebone, London, recently during an action against the man charged with the real impersonation.

It appeared that last April Mr. Gandar Dower lost a suitcase containing two cheque books from his car in Piccadilly. Later, while he was flying in the King's Cup air race, a man unknown to him was alleged to have impersonated him at the Chertsey Bridge Hotel.

In August, while flying from Newcastle, Mr. Gandar Dower booked a room in advance at the Chertsey Bridge Hotel. On arriving about midnight he was met by two police sergeants and detained. It was alleged, on a charge of uttering forged cheques to various firms in the district. He explained that he was in Aberdeen when the cheques were passed, but it was 2 a.m. before he satisfied the police and was released.

### AFGHANISTAN JOINS LEAGUE

### FIRST FRUITS OF SOVIET ENTRY

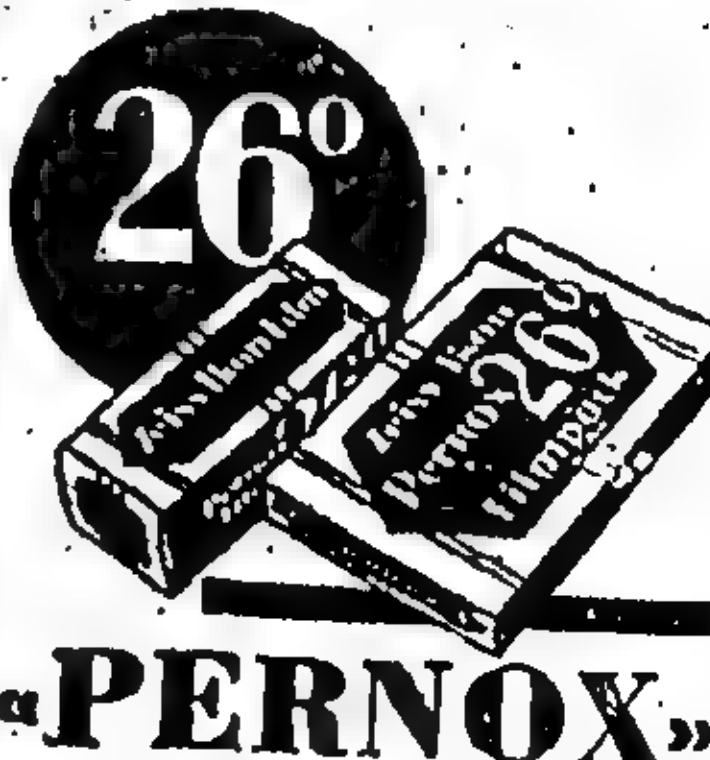
The Sixth Commission on Sept. 26 unanimously voted in favour of the admission of Afghanistan into the League of Nations.

Her entry may be regarded as the first-fruit of Russia's membership of the League—as her candidature has been, it is reported, encouraged by Turkey, assisted by Russia.

Sir Dennis Bray, the Indian representative, said his country was among the first to welcome the application of the independent kingdom of Afghanistan. India rejoiced that another milestone on the road to universality of the League had been reached.



French Moroccan troops resting during the manoeuvres in the desert. The rifles piled and chained together to thwart the lurking thieves.



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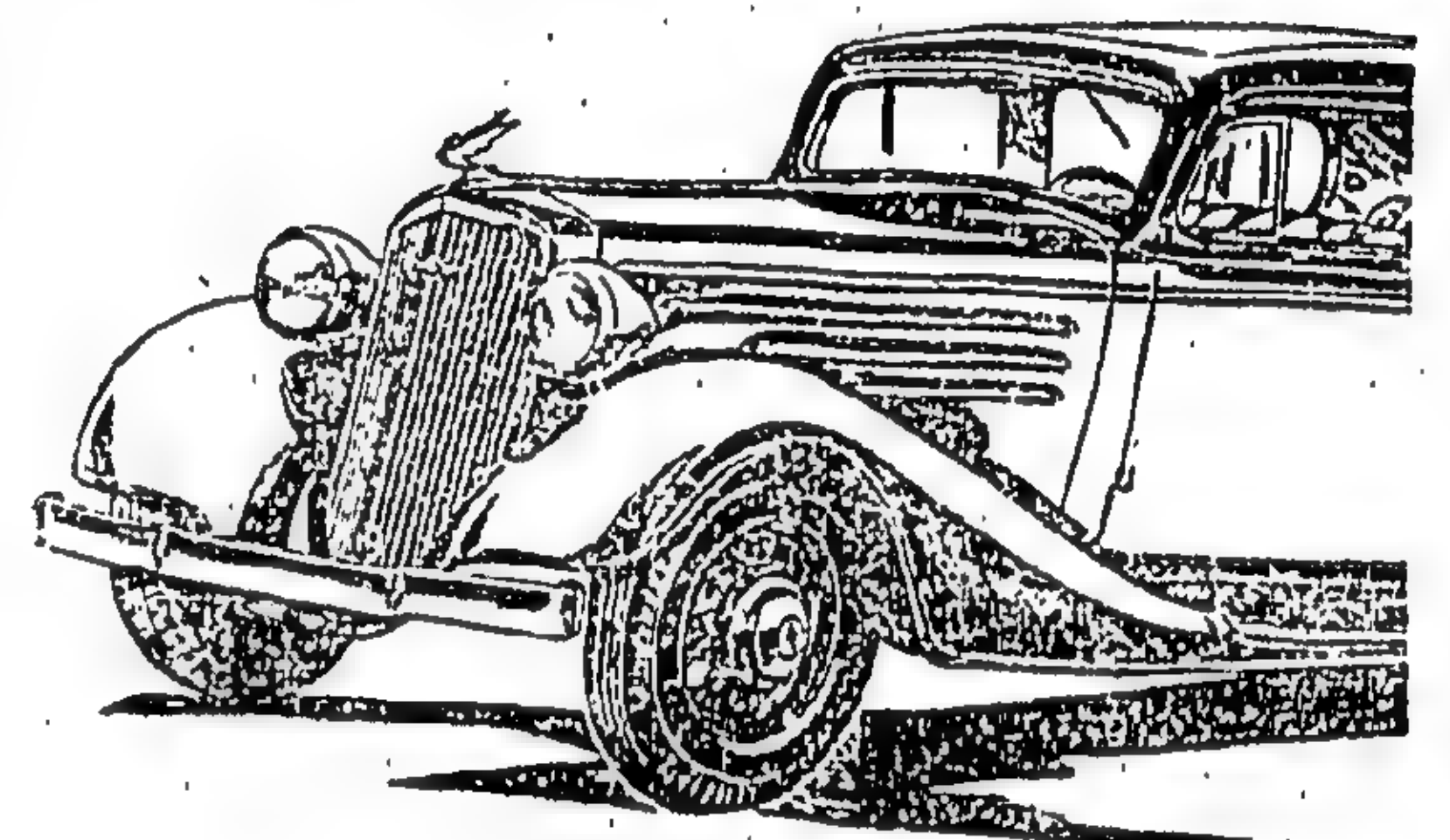
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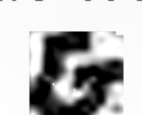


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## SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:—

**Banks.**  
Hongkong Bank, \$1597½ b. and 1/4.  
H.K. Banks, (Lon. Reg.) \$133½ n.  
**Chartered Banks.** \$163½ n.  
Mercantile Bank, A & B, \$30½ n.  
Mercantile Bank C., \$13 n.  
East of Asia Bank, \$93 n.  
Am. O. Finance Corp., \$b. \$20 n.  
China O. Fin. Ord., \$b. \$4 n.  
China O. Fin. Pref., \$b. \$5 n.

**Insurance.**  
Canton Ins., \$285 s.  
Union Ins., \$500 n.  
China Underwriters, \$115 b.  
China Fire, \$510 n.  
H.K. Fire Ins., \$237½ n.  
Internat'l Assec., \$b. \$6 n.

**Shipping.**  
Douglas, \$41 n.  
H.K. Steamboats, \$7½ n.  
Indo-China, (Ref.), \$30 n.  
Indo-China, (Def.), \$38 n.  
Shall's (Bearer), \$b. \$4 n.  
Union Waterboats, \$18½ n.

**Mining.**  
Antamoks, 60 cts. n.  
Balatons, \$37 n.  
Burgulo Gold, 46 cts. n.  
Bongueta, \$41½ n.  
Bongueta, Exploration, 22 cts. n.  
Bongueta Goldfield, 20 cts. n.  
Big Wedge, 10 cts. n.  
Gold River, \$2 n.  
Gold River, 21 cts. n.  
Ipe Mining, \$2½ n.  
Ipeona, \$5.30 n.  
Kallian, 23½ n.  
Langkats (Single), \$17½ n.  
Shal Exploration, \$b. \$5½ n.  
Shal Loans, \$b. \$6½ n.  
Raubas, \$12.90 n.  
Venz: Goldfield, \$5 n.

**Doctrs, etc.**  
H.K. Wharves, \$107 b.  
H.K. Dock, \$12½ b.  
Providents (old), \$140 b.  
Providents (new), 60 cts. n.  
Hongkows (old), \$b. \$310 n.  
New Engineering, \$b. \$5½ n.  
Shanghai Dock, \$121 n.  
Cotton Mills.

**Land, Hotels, etc.**  
H. and S. Hotels, \$5.25 n.  
H.K. Lands, \$61½ b.  
H.K. Lands 4% debentures, 3% prem. s.

Shui Lands, \$b. \$27½ n.  
Agricultural Land, \$b. \$11 n.  
Hampshire, \$10 n.  
H.K. Hotels, \$b. \$10 n.  
Asia Hotels, \$b. \$10 n.  
Asia Hotels, \$b. \$10 n.  
China Hotels, \$b. \$10 n.  
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**Tramways.** \$20 b.  
Peak Trams (old), \$14 n.  
Peak Trams (new), \$7 n.  
Star Ferries, \$97½ n.  
Yaumati Ferries (old), \$21½ b.  
China Lights (old), \$8.95 n.  
China Lights (new), \$8.70 n.  
H. K. Electric, \$69½ s.  
Macao Electric, \$26 n.  
Sandakan Lights, \$8 n.  
Telephones (old), \$23 n.  
Telephones (new), \$10 n.  
China Buses, \$b. \$13.20 n.  
Singapore Traction, 4/6 b.  
Singapore Pref., 17/9 b.

**Malabon Sugars.** \$8.70 n.  
Cald: Macg. (old), \$b. \$21 n.  
Cald: Macg. (Prof.), \$20 n.  
Canton Ice, \$2.75 b.  
Cement (com.), \$2.35 n.  
H.K. Ropes, \$3¼ n.

**Daily Farms.** \$21.50 n.  
Watson, \$5.50 n.  
Der A Wings, \$1 n.  
Lane, Crawford, \$4 n.  
Mackintosh, \$21 n.  
Sinceres, \$10 n.  
Wm. Powells, 70 cts. n.  
Wing On (H.K.), \$110 n.

**Miscellaneous.**  
Amusements, \$4 n.  
H.K. Entertainment, \$7½ n.  
S. C. Enterprises, \$1 s.  
United Theatres, \$b. \$1¼ n.  
Macao "Greyhounds," \$2 n.  
Constructions (old), \$1.80 n.  
Constructions (new), 78 cts. b.  
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G.S. Bonds, 87½ n.  
H.K. Gov. 3½% \$ Loan 2½ prem. b.  
H.K. Gov. 4% Loan, 8% prem. n.  
Wallace Harpers, \$7¼ n.  
Vibor Piling, \$6.60 b.

## MANILA STOCK EXCHANGE

## PHILIPPINE GOLD SHARE QUOTATIONS

To-day's quotations as received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz shortly after the close of the morning session of the Manila Stock Exchange are as follows:—

**Price in Piao**  
Antamok Goldfield, 0.16 0.16 0.16 0.16  
Burgulo Gold Mining, 0.34 0.33 0.34 0.34  
Bongueta Consolidated, 0.20 0.21 0.20 0.20  
Gold River, 0.17 0.16 0.17 0.17  
Ipeona Mining Co., 1.10 1.00 1.10 1.00  
Kallian Mining Co., 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00  
Langkats Mining Co., 0.16 0.15 0.16 0.16  
Shal Mining Co., 0.31 0.30 0.31 0.31  
United Theatres, 0.23 0.24 0.23 0.23  
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## MANSLAUGHTER TRIAL

### ACCUSED TELLS HIS STORY

The case for the Crown closed this morning in the trial of Lo Siu-kwong for the manslaughter of his sworn brother in an opium diwan brawl which is being heard before Mr. Justice A.D.A. MacGregor at the Criminal Sessions.

The victim of the alleged brawl was Chan Sup-ye, aged 30, the sworn brother of the accused, and the Crown's case is that he was stabbed in the chest with a pair of scissors by Lo following an altercation at No. 207, Hollywood Road, on the night of September 27.

Mr. J. A. Fraser, Assistant Attorney General, instructed by Mr. W. J. Lockhart Smith, conducted the case for the Crown, while Mr. Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr. P. H. Kwok, of Peter H. Sin and Co., appeared for the defence.

The jury consisted of Messrs. J. P. A. Davis (Foreman), F. S. Elliott, M. R. Bell, T. M. Vasu Devan, S. J. Pollock, A. E. B. da Souza and M. I. Davis.

**ACCUSED'S STORY.**  
Prisoner, who gave evidence this morning, said he was aged 23 and was a native of Kau Kong from which village deceased also came. They had known each other since they were children.

Coming to the events of the fatal day, witness said he had some time previously told Chan that he intended going to Canton. When he went to the opium diwan and found him, there was nobody else in at the time and witness suggested that they go for a walk. Chan invited him to lie down on the bed whilst he smoked opium, and this he did.

They began to talk and witness

approved Chan for the bad company he kept and his associations with loose women. Chan asked for a loan of \$100 which he said he needed for a smuggling business, and witness refused to give it to him.

Lau Loon came in about this time. Witness and Chan began to quarrel about the loan and Chan struck him several times, finally striking him with the pot pillow on the head. Witness had been trimming the lamp with a pair of scissors, and he may have had them in his hand when he struck back, but he denied that he stabbed Chan in the manner described by Lau and the boy Kwong Chun. He ran out of the diwan to a doctor to have his wound dressed, after which he left for Canton. He did not know that Chan was dead until he read it in the papers.

Cross-examined, witness said he must still have been holding the scissors when he struck Chan, as one blade entered his chest.

### CROWN CASE.

Addressing the jury, the Assistant Attorney General said the case for the Crown, excluding the two statements made by the accused, rested chiefly on the identification of accused by Kwong Chun. The Chinese doctor who had attended accused was not material to the Crown's case, and he asked the jury not to draw an adverse conclusion from the fact that he was not being called.

The main point was—Who stabbed Chan? The suggestion of the defence was that Chan fell on the scissors while they were being held by accused, but from the statement of accused it would seem that he knew Chan had died from a stab, although he denied stabbing him. The defence denied that Kwong Chun was present and that Lau Loon's evidence was true, but by comparing them and noting the detail of the boy's testimony, the jury would no doubt be satisfied as to its value. The hearing was adjourned.



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## REDS INVADE KWANGTUNG

### DESPERATE FIGHTING ON LONG FRONT

REINFORCEMENTS  
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TOWNS SURRENDER

Canton, Oct. 25.  
Cantonese troops are being rushed to the north frontier to resist the invasion threat from 90,000 Red troops who have retreated out of Kiangsi and who now are desperately trying to penetrate the Kwangtung frontier defences.

According to some reports the Reds have advanced a considerable distance into Kwangtung and several towns have surrendered to them.

The Cantonese troops which have come into contact with the invaders have fought with the utmost gallantry. One brigade which attempted to hold out against the advance was practically annihilated.

Shiukwan is the point at which the Government reinforcements are being concentrated.

Refugees are pouring into Canton.

WAR ON LONG FRONT.  
Canton, Oct. 25.

According to the latest report from Shiukwan, fighting is developing on all fronts extending from Tany, near Shiukwan to Chumunling, where the Reds are battering the Cantonese defence lines with their full strength.

Fighting around An-yang was in progress on Tuesday. The Government troops were compelled to give up Panahih and Chungshih after a severe battle, during which one brigade of Cantonese troops under the command of General Chen Chang was almost entirely annihilated.

Meanwhile, the Reds besieged An-yang with increased intensity until the heroic defenders of the city made a desperate attempt to break through the cordon of the besiegers at their weak point.

An-yang has since fallen into the hands of the Reds.

The Second Air Squadron under the command of General Ting Chieh flew to Tany on Tuesday, while another air squadron started for the north from Canton early yesterday morning.

With the arrival of the air force, General Yu Han-mao, Field-Commander at the front, is prepared to launch a combined counter-attack against the Reds by land and air to-day. —Central News and Special.

### LOCAL PAINTING COMPETITION

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The St. John Ambulance Brigade has decided to arrange a painting competition, the proceeds of which are to be devoted towards the St. John Hospital at Cheung Chau and towards Brigade Headquarters funds.

There are to be three sections—Chinese paintings, Western paintings, and a Junior section. The latter is for Chinese and European children under the age of 16 years, and both this section and the section for Western paintings will be divided into Life, Still Life, Pictorial Drawing and Decorative Design classes.

The competition is confined to amateurs, and pictures must be no less than 84 square inches in size.

Silver cups will be awarded for the best three entries in each section, and there will be a silver shield for the best picture entered. If there are sufficient entries there will be a number of consolation prizes.

Pictures will be exhibited later and auctioned.

Pictures must be sent together with an entrance fee of 30 cents for children and 60 cents for adults not later than December 31, to the Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Langley. Names of candidates to be written at bottom right hand side corner. The pictures will be judged by prominent European and Chinese artists.

### EAST MEETS WEST ON MODERN AIRWAY

(Continued from Page 6.)

blood-red ibis! Then Natal, goal of Transatlantic flyers, where the talk, in soft-throated Portuguese, is of coffee and copra and cotton. Rio next day! The city, forest-girt and flower-filled, is a breathless pause between the upward thrust of her mighty granite cones and the still indigo of her seas. The benches gleam like many coloured silks upon a counter of daggers gently curved in cases of blue damask.

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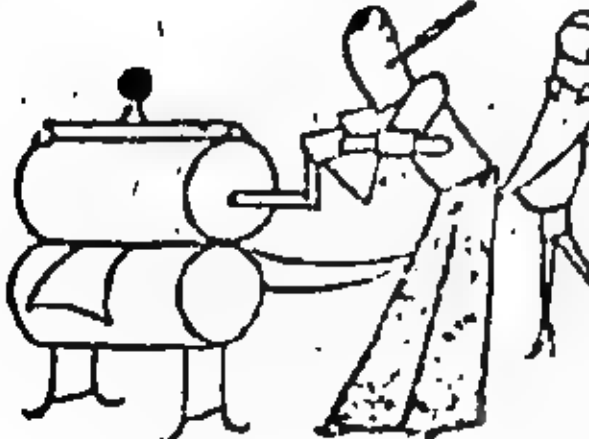
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Apr/June	26½ down ½
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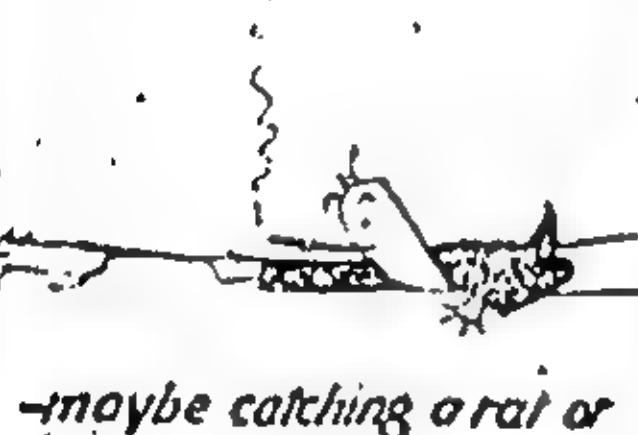
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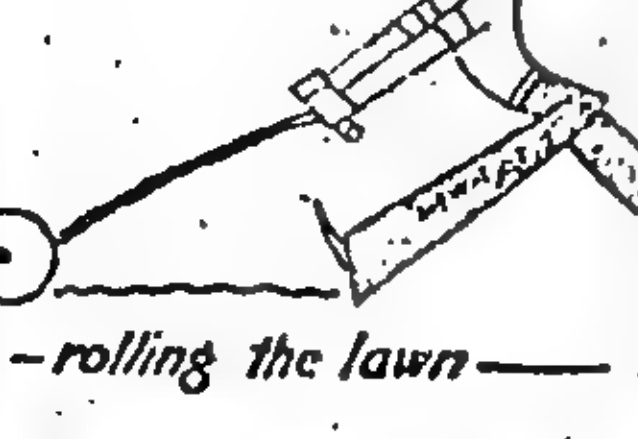
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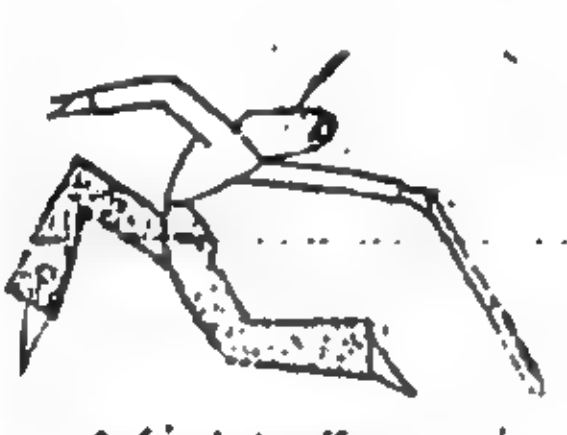
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-or fruit farming



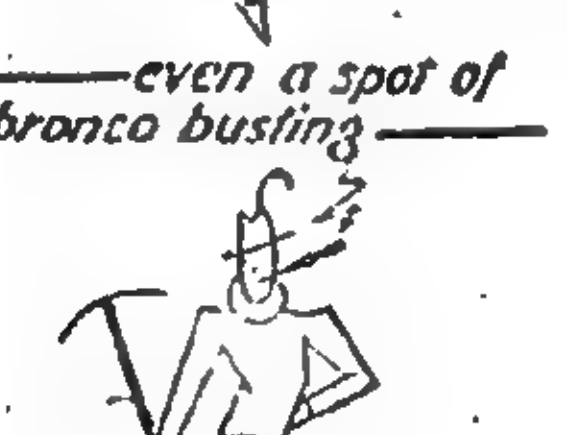
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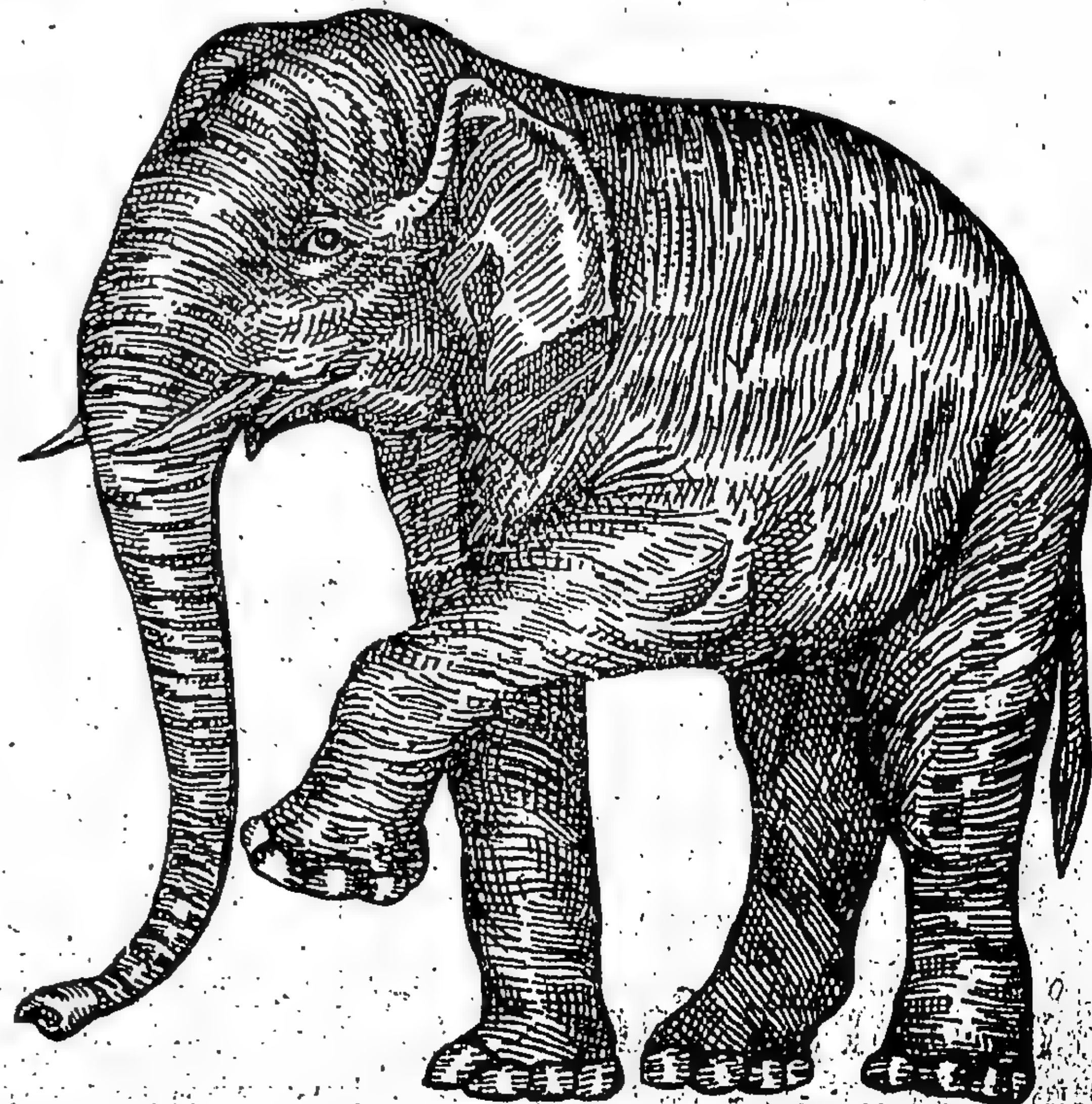
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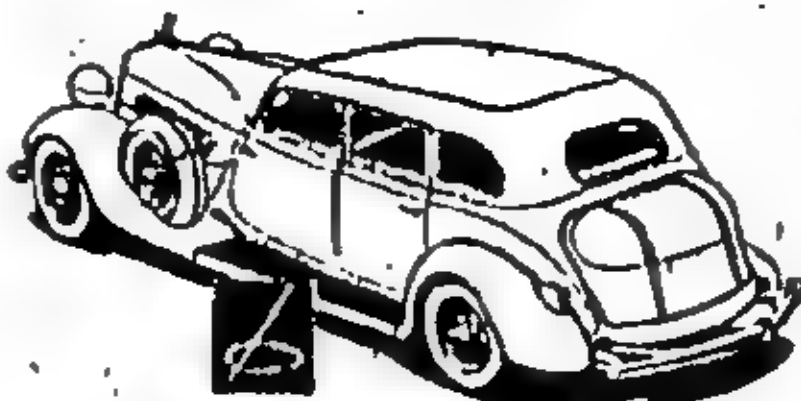
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#### MORE SILVER VIEWS

Silver continues to be the subject of comment in all parts of the world. Quite recently, the London *Financial Times* took up the issue and cited the decline in the volume of China's foreign trade as support for the view that rising silver prices adversely affect Chinese exports. It went on to remark: "That this decline of China's foreign trade would happen as silver rose was, it is believed, the news brought back by President Roosevelt's special envoy, after gaining first-hand information on the subject. We have no right to surmise that the President was not impressed by the opinion brought back by his messenger from the East. Silver, in the mind of the President, may by now have become dissociated with China's peculiar problems; he may believe the metal is the more to be cherished on that account. It is obvious," continues the journal, "that if the price of silver over the next twelve months is to rise another fourpence per ounce, there is scope for appreciation in the price of silver shares. . . . But the recent buying of silver issues was more the outcome of what seems to be a reasonable hope than of an assured conviction that the future of silver prices can be foretold." On this latter point, the inference is drawn that the commodity price level in this complex world cannot be permanently influenced by the monetary action of any individual country, whether it be deliberate or otherwise. These comments, it is of interest to note, were made a few weeks ago, when silver prices were very slightly below the present level. The fact that there was then talk of a further rise of fourpence an ounce, raising it to about 26d., indicates what London then thought of the possibilities. Much has happened since, however, but facts which stand out are that China's trade decline cannot be wholly attributable to the rise in silver prices, that the United States considers her silver policy a purely domestic matter, and that Indian and American interests continue to figure in the market as buyers. Powerful speculative influences are, moreover, still operating, and activities under this head only serve to add to the uncertainties of the position. With so many complex factors either operating or likely to come into the picture at any moment, it has become increasingly difficult for experts to forecast the immediate future of the metal. It is worthy of note,

#### NOTES OF THE DAY

##### ITALY'S LAURELS

While Scott and Black were hurtling southward in their British-built Comet, to set a new record for the London-to-Melbourne flight, a young Italian, Francesco Agello, was going to bed early and fitting himself for a test of almost equal hazard. It was probably coincidence that he attempted, on behalf of Italy, to lower his own world speed record at a time when attention was focussed upon the England-Australia race. In any event he broke the record, and space had to be made on the front pages of the world's newspapers for the tale of his accomplishment. At the same time, Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith was grooming his ship for a dash across the Pacific. Yesterday he left Suva for Honolulu. Man progresses. Only the world spins on at the same old speed.

##### NO ISOLATION

The day has passed when a nation could consider itself immune from surprise attack because of its isolation. Britain's frontier is the Rhine and Germany's is the Channel. Japan and the United States are about to engage in a debate as to what constitutes a natural barrier to invasion, and out of their discussions, it is hoped, will come some compromise that will make possible an agreement at the Naval Conference. Japan claims that because of the increased cruising radius of aircraft and warships, her position in the north-west corner of the Pacific is no longer as remote, and as safe, as it was. The United States claims that Japanese bombers could demolish New York within 48 hours of leaving Tokyo. One says she must be granted a higher ratio in naval armaments; the other says she mustn't. A delicately balanced argument.

##### SOLUTION REMOTE

The assertions of both Japanese and American experts are probably quite true, but if the argument applies to one it must apply to the other. If isolation is no defence for Japan, it can be no defence for America, and the relative vulnerability of the two is not altered. The United States adds to her argument against an increase of Japanese naval strength the reminder that she is about to quit the Philippines. Japan's obvious rejoinder will be that that is not yet a *fait accompli*, and that in any event America can strike as hard from Honolulu as from Manila. Japan can say, furthermore, that the friendliest and that America cannot conceivably find herself in such dangerous proximity to a powerful neighbour.

##### ANOTHER VIEWPOINT

But that will not settle the dispute. It would seem that the nation which can prove itself most threatened must be allowed the greatest naval and air defence forces. It might be shown, if the theory is followed to its conclusion, that Britain's position is ten times more vulnerable than that of either Japan or America, to say nothing of the relatively defenceless condition of the colonial empire if left without the bulwark of air and sea fleets. Britain might add a useless claim to a useless argument that she is as much in danger of attack from France or Ireland as are Japan and America from their neighbours. *Reductio ad absurdum.*

##### LEAD AND DOLLARS

The Jockey Club is abandoning the two-dollar bet experiment. Probably it is felt that anyone who can afford to bet two dollars can dig a little deeper and afford a five. The Jockey Club does not know very much more about what most of us can afford than some of us know about horses. A gentleman jockey's charming young wife, when scanning the race programme the other day, remarked that the horses seemed much lighter than those which ran at home. (She was looking at the handicap weights of jockeys, of course.) When a companion expressed some doubt as to the exactness of the weights, the gentleman jockey's wife remarked: "Oh, but it's true. You see they make them heavier by putting lead on."

however, that Mr. E. Kaun, the well-known authority on the currency of China, last week told Shanghai Rotarians that he had no hesitation in saying that silver is bound to rise. He added that a 1s. 6d. or a 1s. 6d. dollar would be fairly satisfactory to the trade of the port, that this basis could be easily obtained, and that he believed the authorities would welcome such a level.

#### EAST MEETS WEST ON MODERN AIRWAY

By "VOYAGEUR"

THERE are still a few halfway houses where East meets West, where science and magic operate side by side. The great seaplanes flying between Florida and Argentina land at some of these strange places.

Miami, from which they start, is the playground of speculators, speed-fleets, platinum blondes. There is no getting away from them, and they all look extremely expensive.

Soon after dawn the quadruple-engine seaplane starts on its way south—eight days to Buenos Aires, the other end of the world. At Cuba there may be a whisper of revolution. Convents are in danger. Two sisters who have never left the island, or the ground, come on board. It is very hot.

Their stiff skirts fill the cabin. "Their petticoats must be made of plank!" complains a motor salesman, as he sits crushed into the smallest space between the spreading sisters, who never look out of the window and whose lips move ceaselessly, silently, till, with a majestic swirl, the seaplane descends at Haiti.

We passengers crowd into a bar famous for a pineapple drink laced with rum. America is still with us on the radio. Elder Michaux, who rose from Negro fish peddler to preacher, is being interviewed in far-away Washington. "No member of my church smokes, drinks, or dances," expounds the elder. "We fast one day a month and our savings go to the unemployed."

But, tired of the virtues of the north, the passengers wander out among the peasants who wear blue overalls and hats made of fan-palm leaves. The men work with cutlasses; the girls carry on their heads gourds filled with syrup. Black men, striding silently, their out-thrust lips, their palms, and the soles of their feet paler than the rest of their skin, their eyes bloodshot, make for the hills. "There is a ceremony—" someone says.

The sound of flutes muted with paper dies at the outskirts of the town. The whole black world is moving towards this sound, with which the witch doctors communicate at full moon. Impeded by our boots, we Anglo-Saxons follow. In a declivity, surrounded by rocks, are ranged a crowd of figures the colour of burned coffee. In the centre of the circle is a huge ash-grey Negro with glazed eyes, who shuffles from one foot to another as if he were an automaton.

The witch doctor advances with an axe in his hand. His face is smeared with lime. Tufts of feathers stick to his loins and sides. By a rhythmic incantation, he strives to summon the powers obedient to Black-Magic. When he begins to whirl the chopper about his head the watching Negroes shudder to their knees. In front of them, quivering like a jelly, crouches the huge black with the ash-grey face.

Then it happens—or perhaps it doesn't happen—and two Canadian engineers, three hard-boiled American salesmen, one English traveller, and a local professor simply imagine it! Readers can take their choice.

In any case, the axe swings. The huge nigger ceases to shake. The next instant the witch doctor is apparently holding up a decapitated head, while two acolytes bend solicitously over the trunk.

Meanwhile, the witch doctor spins in quickening circles with his trophy, held high. Then, he swoops upon the body of his victim and refits the head to the bleeding neck.

A shiver passes through the audience. The victim rises, anxiously feeling his neck, on which the recent operation has left no mark, and recommences his shuffle. Immediately the audience, still kneeling, begin to jerk themselves into the first stages of an ecstasy, which, a few hours later, will leave them limp as corpses.

"Let's get out!" says one of the engineers. "I guess there's something wrong with our eyes."

Antigua, Port of Spain, Paramaribo. The seaplane descends on the Surinam River beside a little Dutch town built on stilts to avoid the white ants, with bells ringing from the twin spires of the Lutheran Church, and a white-rain or a black rain, according to its violence, falling on the statue of Queen Wilhelmina.

By missing a connection at Paramaribo you can go up river between smooth jungle walls, palisaded with trees that break into flowers eighty feet above the swamps, in which they struggle for footholds, and close-plaited creepers wherein lurk the murderous maca snakes.

A monotonous coastline edged by coffee-coloured swamp reaches out to Cayenne, where the whole country is a prison. The seaplane makes a circle over the three islands of the French penal settlement.

Devil's Island is the farthest out of the three, and, in spite of its reputation, is charming to look at. Next day the pilot makes a detour to show his passengers the lighthouse of L'île Perdue (Island of the Lost), and who, surrounded by a stormless sea, mysteriously decreases in number.

Sheets of rain as the seaplane approaches the Amazon. The sea is churned into tea-coloured foam. Space is curtailed in dark, stinging water. There is gloomy talk of a night aloft, but directions come by wireless: "Visibility at 2,000 feet." The pilot zooms upwards, and in a few moments the Amazon is seen as a flat, broad waste beyond the storm.

Para lives in the past, when she was unbelievably enriched by her forests of wild rubber, when speculators paid ten and twenty dollars for the privilege of sleeping in a crowded corridor, and gamblers lit their cigarettes in the casino with notes of the same value. She dreams of the future, when she hopes—in spite of the cheaper cost of production in Malaya and the East Indies—to be rich again. But at present she is dead.

It is from the impression of a cemetery that the passengers are awakened at 3 a.m. for the long flight to Sao Luiz, where the radio speaks Brazilian-Portuguese, interspersed with the husky Spanish of the republics farther south. Camoim, Fortaleza, forests as uninhabited as any conceivable desert, and long stretches of sea where, dropping down to fifty or sixty feet above the water, the pilot scares thousands of birds off the mud flats, blue herons and white cranes, the grey of innumerable gulls, flamingoes torn from the sunrise, spoonbills, egrets, and

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#### The Very Idea!

TIPS FOR WIVES

(Contributed).

THIS is a warning to all good wives who want to become real "companions" to their husband, and share in his work, his pleasures, and his play.

Do not, under any conditions, take golf lessons from your husband! It's fatal, horribly, finally fatal, to love and respect and wedded bliss, and no wise woman will risk it.

To a man, especially a husband, golf is even more important than a wife. Although he is quite glad to hear your wishes to share in it, and may even promise to take you round and give you a few tips, just smile sweetly and do nothing.

Ten chances to one that tip-giving round would end in a serious quarrel. He would shudder every time you "duffed" a shot; groan as you cut the turf; and swear long and loudly as you made a casual remark while he putted. Unless he's a super-man and you are a super-woman, you'll come home in the sulks at the fourth hole. You'll be justified, of course, but remember that we warned you!

By all means learn to play golf and be a companion to your husband; men secretly long for a wife who is ready to go round with them before they have found any stray pals waiting for a game. But they want a ready-made golfing wife, not a rabbit who must be put through the gruelling and exasperating first lessons.

They want a wife who knows the sacredness of golf, who won't make an ass of herself on the first tee, and certainly won't talk when they are playing a shot.

But they mustn't be expected to teach all that to a wife. Love and marriage will never stand the strain, and neither will the husband's own golf. Watching you hacking around, driving with the wrong swing, and the wrong stance puts them off their own precious drive. Anyway, they'll blame you, so what matters?

Well, just smile to yourself and go out and see the professional about a few lessons before you dare suggest going round with the man of your heart. That is, if you are already married to him!

But if you are still single and want to know something of the man who is to be your husband, take your courage in both hands and let him teach you. By the end of the round you'll have a pretty rough idea how much he loves you and what kind of temper he really has.

If he has snarled at you, shouted angrily, thrown his clubs away in desperation, and told you that "You're simply not paying attention to anything I say," don't worry! Marry him just the same; he's normal.

#### DUMB-BELLES LETTRES.

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Dear Belle:

I shall expect you and Jim for a small cocktail party on the eleventh. Bring anyone you like who will help along—but I refuse to invite Mrs. Ridge again. I entertained her once, and she never recuperated.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Sonia G.  
(signed)



I entertained her once, and she never recuperated.

#### Bernice is Pleased.

Stony Brook Farm.  
Dotty Dimple Dress Shop.  
Just got back from the city and want to tell how pleased I am that I bought at you. The skirt I am having made smaller and more fitted. Your store atmosphere is so full of harmony.

Thanking you kindly, sincerely,  
Bernice T.  
(signed)

#### Do Both!

Commissioner of Parks

Dear Sir:

There are some snafus in our garden. I don't know if to kill them or to make them. What would you Robert



"Oh, Mr. Banks! Why don't you choose a more comfortable chair?"



## GANDHI MAY BE OUSTED

CLASH OF WILLS OF FACTIONS

DANGEROUS PLAN OF RADICALS

(Special to "Telegraph")

Bombay, Oct. 25.

Tens of thousands of delegates to the Indian National Congress meet in annual convention here to-morrow.

Discussions on policy will centre around the personality of Mahatma Gandhi, for fifteen years virtual dictator of the Congress party. Recently there have been rumblings of revolt against his dictatorship. Gandhi heard them and expressed his desire to retire from the Congress.

Congress will decide whether or not he should retire. But delegates realize that if the Mahatma is to be retained as an active Congress force Congress must follow his policies of non-violence, encouragement of home spinning and weaving and village reorganization. Adoption by Congress of the mere radical ideas of the party left-wingers would insure execution of Gandhi's threat to retire. Expert observers are convinced that Gandhi will sway the conference as he has swayed many before and emerge more powerful than ever.

• MASSES FOLLOW.

Recent demonstrations against Gandhi, they say, are isolated instances, whereas the masses of India still regard him as a saint. Last November a mob at Nagpur set upon the Mahatma and his party and bombarded them with eggs. During his later tour of the Central provinces orthodox Hindus protested against his advocacy of the "Untouchables" cause by lying down in front of his automobile.

In May a mob of high caste Hindus stoned his automobile at Ruxar on the Ganges, completely demolishing it.

If the Congress repudiates Gandhi and accepts his retirement, Congress' new leader is likely to be the comparatively young Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, now serving a prison sentence for sedition.

LEFT WING CHIEF.

The Pandit is the leading spirit in the Left Wing socialist and communist element of the Congress. A graduate of Oxford, and widely travelled, Pandit Jawaharlal wants to make India a socialist state. He would socialize the means of production, distribution and exchange, and control the economic life of the country by systematic planning.

He would eliminate landlordism and the Indian princes, redistribute land to the peasants, cancel agriculturists' debts, assure labour a living wage, an eight-hour day and give them the right to strike. First he would have to seize power from the British Raj, and his policy provides for no negotiation with the British Government at any time.

Gandhi, on the contrary, agrees to partial co-operation with the present British government of India to the extent of electing Congress representatives to the Indian legislature. He favours establishment of better relations between landlord and tenant but opposes elimination of landlordism or princes. Such class war, he says, is foreign to the essential genius of India and cannot be carried on while India is fighting an "alien bureaucracy".

TIMES CHANGE.

This will be the fifth time the Congress has met in Bombay, its birthplace. In its early days 500 to 1,000 politicians attended annual Congress meetings, sat comfortably in easy chairs in public halls, were properly attired in morning suits and delivered essays on nationalism in perfect English. Gandhi changed all that in his fifteen year sway of the Congress. Preparations have been made to care for 100,000 to 150,000 delegates.

Meetings will be held in the open air, after six o'clock in the evening, when the sun is down. Delegates will squat or stand on the slopes of Worli Hills, at whose base the Arabian sea lies.

Babu Ratendra Prasad, one of Gandhi's most devoted and trusted lieutenants, will preside over the Congress. About 50, he has served several terms of imprisonment. He has been an active congressman since 1920, when he gave up a lucrative law practice at Patna to devote himself to the Indian masses.—United Press.

## DEMOCRATS SURPRISED

CALIFORNIA'S STRAW VOTE

SINCLAIR NOT SO POPULAR

(Special to "Telegraph")

Washington, Oct. 24.

The "straw vote" which the Literary Digest has undertaken in California to obtain an impression of the direction the political wind is blowing, has shown that Mr. Upton Sinclair, the pink Democrat, is not so popular as he was thought to be. For a long time it was believed that he would overwhelm Governor Merriam in the gubernatorial race, but the Digest poll says "No!"

The first returns, a total of 18,854 ballots, from six cities, give Merriam a substantial lead, an aggregate of 11,262. Sinclair has 6,198 and the remaining votes are fairly equally divided among the other candidates.

These and other hints of the trend of thought are causing Democrats some apprehensiveness. The contents of President Roosevelt's opening campaign speech are being closely guarded. Asked whether President Roosevelt intended to "give 'em hell," the Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Daniel C. Roper, offered no more than a hint, saying: "I don't believe he will go beyond purgatory."—United Press.

## OPIUM HIDDEN IN EGGS

FOUND IN MAN'S LUGGAGE

Five hundred tails of raw opium cleverly concealed in 296 preserved ducks eggs were found in a basket among the luggage of Yuen Pui, a passenger from the steamer Kong So, when a search was conducted on the Hoi On Wharf by a Revenue Officer.

The man was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy this morning, by Revenue Officer Grimmit, and, in answer to the charge, said the opium was not in his luggage.

Mr. Grimmit said defendant was arrested coming off the Hoi On Wharf with a basket full of preserved ducks' eggs. The Revenue Officer on duty sounded a couple of the eggs, and found them to contain opium. The defendant claimed the basket as his.

Evidence was then taken, and defendant stated that the opium belonged to another man, who had come from Wuchow.

Mr. Hamilton convicted, and imposed a fine of \$2,000, or in default twelve months' hard labour.

## DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

WHEN YOU GIVE, TAKE TO YOURSELF NO CREDIT FOR GENEROSITY, UNLESS YOU DENY YOURSELF SOMETHING IN ORDER THAT YOU MAY LIVE.—Henry Taylor.

A coolie woman, employed on the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank building site, was knocked down and somewhat seriously hurt by a young Chinese riding a push-bicycle in Queen's Road last night. She was conveyed to the Government Civil Hospital.

When walking in Prince Edward Road last night, Wong King, 15-year-old son of Lam Tsoi, left her and dived across the road in the track of an earth truck. He was knocked down and fatally injured, death occurring after admission to hospital.

Sentenced of nine months was passed on Chan Hoi, who was charged before Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning with picking the pocket of an old man named Lai Tung in Stanley Street. It was stated that whilst complainant was walking in the street, defendant went up to him and took a wallet from his breast pocket. Defendant had a previous conviction for the same offence in 1923, and was banished for ten years after his term of imprisonment.

The second annual Grade School Art and Handicrafts Exhibition, the objectives of which are to develop latent abilities in art and handicraft work among youngsters and to provide an outlet for the displaying of their creative capabilities and handicraft work, opened its doors to the public yesterday afternoon at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. The Exhibition will be on for four days, between the hours of 1 p.m. and 9 p.m. ending on Saturday. Twenty-six schools have sent an aggregate number of 1,300 exhibits for display. Much of the success of the Exhibition is due to the interest and hard work of the Preparatory Committee composed of Messrs. Tso Yuk-wah, chairman; Leo Yuk-tung, H. M. Cheng, Y. Y. Chan, S. S. Yung, K. C. Lai, and Miss Alice Kwok.

## RECORD DIVE BY SUBMARINE

Rests On Sea Bed For Experiment

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Taranto, Oct. 24.

The 1,000-ton submarine, Galileo Ferraris, descended to a depth of 109 metres to-day and laid claim to a new world record dive without safety devices.

The submarine remained on the seabed twenty minutes, and tested torpedo launching apparatus.—United Press.

## ANOTHER STRIKE CALLED IN U.S.

24,000 LOCKED OUT OF DYE SHOPS

GORMAN THREAT

Paterson, N.J., Oct. 24. A strike of 24,000 silk and rayon dyers has been called as from midnight.

A conference of employers and workers met at the last minute in an effort to avert the walk-out.

The militant strike-maker, Gorman, one of the big Labour chiefs in the Eastern States, broke up the meeting four minutes after it had assembled.

Gorman threatened a fresh outbreak of the textile strikes, owing to the alleged discrimination shown by employers against union members who participated in the last textile strike.—Reuter.

## HAUPTMANN PLEADS

"NOT GUILTY" HIS REPLY TO CHARGE

(Special to "Telegraph")

(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1921. Received, October 25, 9.12 a.m.)

Flemington, N.J., Oct. 24. Richard Hauptmann, charged with the kidnapping and murder of the baby son of Col. and Mrs. Charles Lindbergh, pleaded not guilty when arraigned here to-day.

He has just been sent here from New York, following extradition proceedings.—United Press.

One case of diphtheria and two cases of typhoid were reported to the local health authorities on Tuesday. A lecture entitled "Theosophy and To-day" will be given by Mr. P. A. Paxton at 6 o'clock this evening in the Blauvelt Lodge of the Theosophical Society at 17, Queen's Road, Central. The meeting is open to members of the general public.

Over \$2,100 in money and property was stolen from the Man On Pawnshop at Main Street, Tsau Wan, by two armed men who held up the accountant with a revolver at closing-up hour last night. One of the men was identified as a former employee of the shop.

Miss E. Xavier, of No. 8 Tung Chung Buildings, Pak Shing Street, was summoned before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for allowing her dog to be abroad in Nathan Road unmuzzled and unleashed on October 2. Defendant admitted the offence and a fine of \$10 was imposed.

Royal Artillery Headquarters notified that gun practice will be carried out from Stonecutters in the direction south of Capatsumun and north of Kau-I-Chau between 9.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. and between 5.30 p.m. and 11 p.m. on the 25th inst. and again in the same direction between 9.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. on November 1.

Charged with having kept an unlicensed distillery at No. 130 Belcher Street, with fermenting mash, Li Kong and Li Choi pleaded guilty before Mr. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy this morning. Revenue Officer Grimmit said they had eight konga of mash and produced about 30 catties of spirit a day. The first defendant was the master, and the second defendant a fool. Mr. Hamilton fined Li Kong \$500, or six months' hard labour on the first charge, and \$260, or three months' hard labour on the second, the sentences to run concurrently. Li Choi was fined \$100, or two months, and \$50, or one month, the sentences to run concurrently.

## HEAVY LOSS IN SPANISH RED REVOLT

CASUALTIES RUN INTO HUNDREDS

REBELS' DEAD UNESTIMATED

(Special to "Telegraph")

(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1921. Received, October 25, 7.12 a.m.)

Madrid, Oct. 24.

The heaviness of the casualties arising from the recent Spanish revolt and the continued guerilla warfare waged by the insurgent elements, is indicated in lists described as "incomplete" and published by the press to-day.

El Debate says that 288 members of the Government's forces, including police and soldiers, have been killed. Of these 161 belonged to the Civil Guards.

The dead include an army major and seven Civil Guard officers, among whom was a lieutenant-colonel. A lieutenant-colonel and major of Carabiniers were also slain.

The newspaper A.B.C. adds to this list 200 guards killed or wounded at Oviedo, where the fighting was particularly severe and the rebels entrenched themselves and held out under artillery fire for many hours.

These figures take no account of the losses of the rebel side, which are known to have been heavy, probably three times as great as the Government's casualties.

Thirteen persons were shot by insurgents at Turon.

The possibility of a military dictatorship still disturbs the situation, and the continued unrest and the rebel outrages, such as the mining of roads and sniping of soldiers are causing lenders to consider desperate remedies.—Reuter Special.

## DOES CHINA WANT GOLD STANDARD?

BRITISH OPINION IN MONEY MUDDLE

Washington, Oct. 24. Observers here foresee a possible embarrassment for the Gold Bloc as an outcome of the recent currency developments in the Far East. The recent rapid gold appreciation in terms of sterling is considered temporary.

Japan's Budget, providing for the financing of the purchase of the Chinese Eastern Railway and for the relief of the distress caused by the recent typhoon disaster, in addition to the Chinese silver moves, are all operating to cause a drop in yen exchange.

British opinion is that China ultimately desires to establish a gold standard.

Widespread hope exists that President Roosevelt's speech to the bankers to-night will be stimulating to business. A generally better feeling abroad is evident.—Siam, Culbertson and Fritz.

## U.S. RAIL ISSUES ADVANCE

COURT RULES ACT ILLEGAL

New York, Oct. 24. The United States Supreme Court has held the Railroad Employee Pension Retirement Act to be unconstitutional and has granted 134 railroad companies an injunction restraining the enforcement of the Act.

This decision caused considerable buying of railroad stocks, sending the Dow Jones averages for 20 rails up 2.70 points.—Siam, Culbertson and Fritz.

## FLIES TO PEKING

Peking, Oct. 24. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek accompanied by Madame Chiang and Mr. Donald, Marshal Chang Hsueh-ling's British adviser, arrived here this evening on board a private plane from Tainanfu.

The generalissimo was at the Nanyuan Aerodrome.—Central News.

## RADIO BROADCAST

Children's Concert From The Studio.

Z.E.K. PROGRAMME.

From ZBW on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles). 5-6 p.m. A Relay of the Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra from the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden. 6-6.30 p.m. Children's Studio Concert.

6.30-7 p.m. A Relay of the Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra from the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden. 7 p.m. Closing Local Stock Quotations, London and New York Stock and Commodity Quotations.

7.08-7.30 p.m. Ethelbert Nevin Selections. Orchestra—A Day in Venice. Victor Salon Orchestra.

1. Dawn. 2. Gondoliers. 3. Venetian Love Song. 4. Good Night.

Vocal—My Desire ("Songs from Vineyard"). Lewis James (Tenor), Olive Kline (Soprano) and Victor Salon Group.

Vocal—At Twilight; Oh, that we two were Maying; At Rest. Wilfred Glenn (Bass) with the Victor Salon Group.

Vocal—The Rosary. Robert Simmons (Tenor) and the Victor Salon Orchestra. 7.30-8 p.m. From the Studio.

Humorous Interlude by Bryan Lewis. Programme.

1. Gerns. 2. Two Vegetarian Ballads. 3. Some side lights on Association Football. 8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report. 8.05-10.30 p.m. Chinese Studio Concert.

9-9.20 p.m. A Talk on "The Military Tactics" (in Chinese) by The Hon. Sir Shousen Chow, M.C., C.M.G. 9.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletin, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations.

10.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletin, Rugby Mid-day Press News, Further London Stock and Commodity Quotations, followed by New York Opening Quotations.

10.40 p.m. Close Down. All Relays of the Hongkong Hotel Orchestras are by courtesy of the Management.

Z.E.K. PROGRAMME.

8.30-10 p.m. European Recorded Programme from ZEK on a frequency of 435 k.c.s.

8.30-9 p.m. Light Opera. Vocal Gems—The Pirates of Penzance (Gilbert and Sullivan).

Columbia Light Opera Company. Selection—Gipsy Love (Lehar). De Groot and his Orchestra.

Vocal Gems—The Yeomen of the Guard (Gilbert and Sullivan). Columbia Light Opera Company. Selection—The Waltz Dream (O. Strauss).

De Groot and the Piccadilly Orchestra. 9-9.30 p.m. Madame Amelita Galli-Curci (Soprano) Fritz Kreisler Violin.

1. Fritz Kreisler; Humoreske, Op. 101, No. 7 (Dvorak). Caprice Viennois (Kreisler).

2. Madame Amelita Galli-Curci; Chanson Indoue, of India (Rimsky-Korsakov). Bolero—Les Filles de Cadix (Delibes).

3. Fritz Kreisler; Liebesleid (Love's Sorrow) (Kreisler). Liebesleid (Love's Sorrow) (Kreisler).

4. Madame Amelita Galli-Curci; Carcereras (Prison Song) (Chapli). Serenata (Tosti).

9.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletin, London 1 p.m. Stock and Commodity Quotations. 9.35-10 p.m. Light Orchestral Music.

Saschinka (Schirrmann). Marek Weber and His Orchestra. A Musical Jig-Saw (arr. A. W. Aston).

Regal Cinema Orchestra. Berceuse (Jarnacelt). Orchestre Raymonde. Waltzes from Vienna—Waltz Medley (arr. Korngold).

Jack Hyllon and His Orchestra. 10 p.m. Close Down.

## MURDER CHARGE

MAN CHARGED AFTER FOUR YEARS

A crime committed in No. 3 Godown of the Kowloon Wharves on the night of December 31, 1930, had a sequel in the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when Chan Lung, aged 35, a pig slaughterer, was brought before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones charged with the murder of Leung Muk, 30, a lighter coolie.

On the application of the police, the accused was remanded for one week formally.

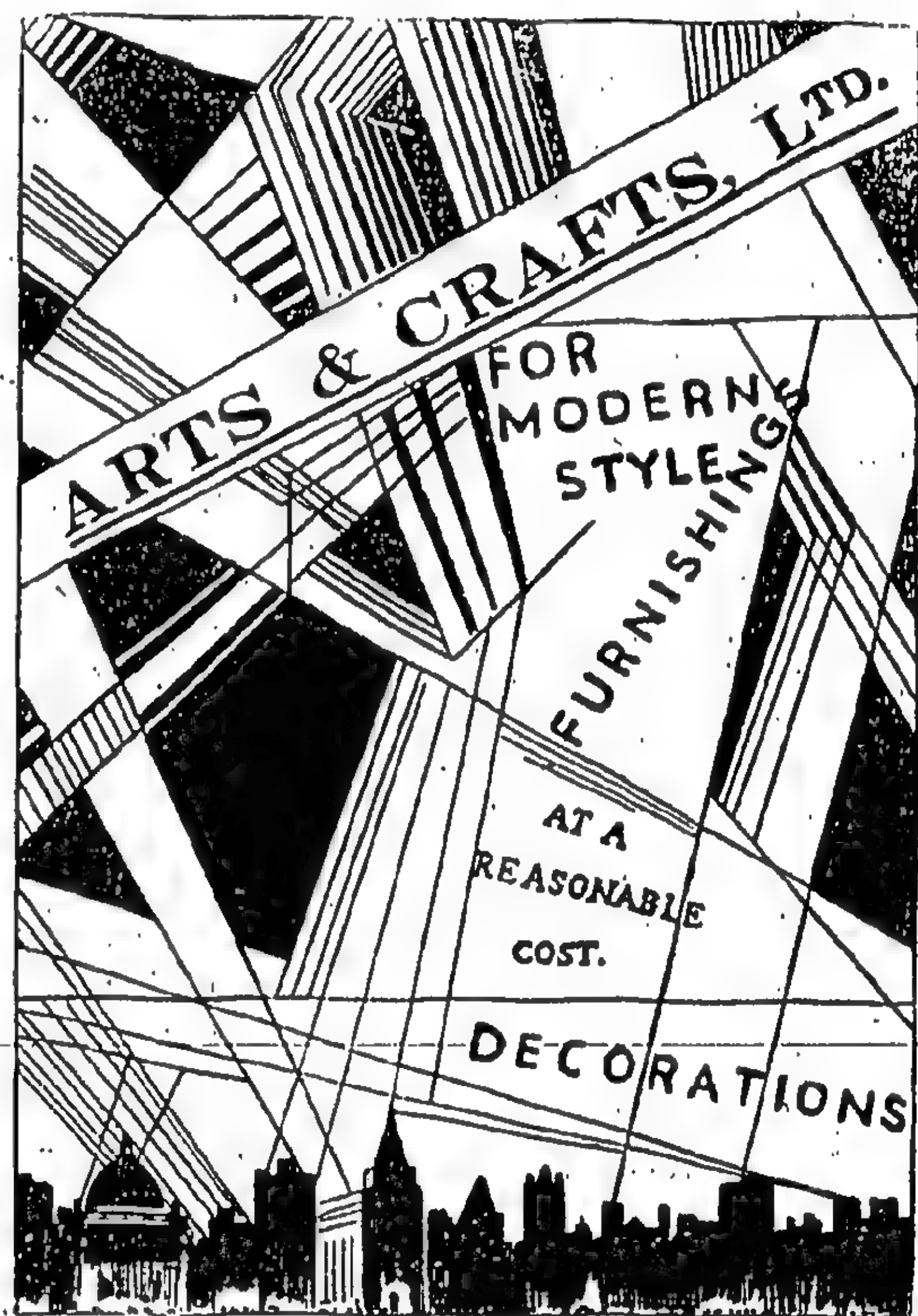
Leung Muk was found by godown coolies stabbed through the heart. He was lying on his back with a wound in his left breast, evidently inflicted with a sharp weapon. The heart had been penetrated.

The accused was arrested on a warrant in Woosung Street on Tuesday afternoon.



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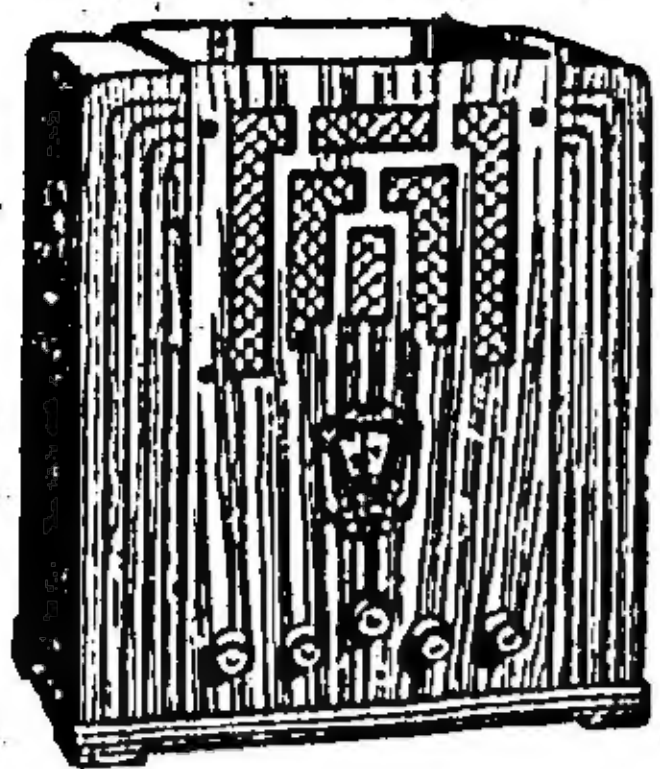
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## BOWLERS' WICKET

### LESS THAN HUNDRED RUNS AT POKFULAM

In a match that produced less than a hundred runs, a team from the Hongkong University beat St. Joseph's College at cricket at Pokfulam yesterday by six wickets. The College boys were dismissed for 40, and although this total was passed by the Undergraduates with six wickets in hand, their eventual total was only 66. Scores:

St. Joseph's College.					
A. H. Baker, c. Rodriguez, b. Tata	0				
F. Barma, b. Blake	4				
H. Asome, b. Tata	4				
A. Razack, c. Ng, b. Blake	5				
Y. Esmail, b. Blake	7				
J. Veiga, b. Tata	8				
A. Ramjain, hit wkt., b. Blake	7				
E. Petrov, run out	0				
J. Horowitz, c. Ng, b. Blake	0				
R. Summons, not out	0				
K. Singh, b. Blake	0				
Extras	8				
Total	40				

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Tata	7	3	15	3
Blake	7	3	17	0

University.					
D. Hunt, b. Asome	7				
Y. H. Kan, b. Asome	1				
E. S. Blake, b. Asome	10				
K. L. Ng, b. Asome	10				
P. B. Tata, b. Asome	10				
W. C. Chin, b. Baker, b. Esmail	8				
Alonso, run out	0				
Thompson, not out	5				
Rodriguez, not out	0				
E. K. Tan, c. Veiga, b. Asome	0				
H. C. Ho, c. Asome, b. Esmail	5				
Extras	1				
Total	60				

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Asome	10	1	26	7
Razack	5	1	19	1
Esmail	7.2	2	10	2

## HOME RUGBY

### CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY BEAT ST. BARTS

London, Oct. 24. At Beckenham yesterday the Kent County XV defeated the Eastern Counties by 11 points to 8, while at Eastbourne Surrey beat Sussex County by 28 points to 6.

Cambridge University beat St. Barts Hospital by 26 points to 8.—*Reuter.*

## JAVA SPARROWS CONFISCATED

### USED FOR STREET GAMBLING

In a gambling case brought before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Police Court this morning, it was stated that the first floor of No. 106 Keeling Street, Shamshui-po district, was believed to be the headquarters of a gang who use Java sparrows for gambling in the street.

A young woman, Fung Ng-hing, was charged with being the keeper of a common gaming house on the premises, while five men were charged with gambling. All pleaded not guilty.

Eleven Java sparrows in a cage, together with other gambling paraphernalia, were exhibited in Court.

Inspector F. W. Shaffain: In this case I have no direct evidence against any of the defendants, but the object of them being charged is in order to get your Worship to confiscate these birds.

Inspector Shaffain added that he was made to understand that the premises were the headquarters of a gang who used the birds for gambling in the streets. They were all trained birds.

The Magistrate discharged all the defendants, but made a confiscation order in regard to the birds and the gambling gear.

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

### RAILROAD STOCKS SOAR

The following reports on the New York stock market have been received through Messrs. Swan, Culbertson & Fritz: The Wall Street Journal report on yesterday's markets—Stocks rallied sharply during the final hour, due to the booming of the market for rails owing to the announcement that the Columbia Supreme Court held that the Railroad Employees Pension Retirement Act was unconstitutional and granted 134 railroad companies an injunction restraining the enforcement of the Act. Previous to this announcement the market had advanced slowly throughout the day, due to short covering and some long buying on anticipation of a favourable reaction to the President's speech. Dow-Jones predicts that the U.S. Steel Corp. will probably declare a dividend of 50 cents on preferred shares on Tuesday, in spite of the company's third-quarter earnings being below that of the second-quarter. The Company is confident that demand for steel will increase shortly. Bonds were steady. Stocks on the Curb Exchange eased, due to lack of leadership. The wheat market was steady, due to the firmness of Liverpool cables and also on discouraging Argentine crop reports.

R. C. & F. New York office cables: The stock market developed a buoyant tone towards the close in anticipation that President Roosevelt's speech to-night will be of a constructive nature and reflecting the decision reached by the United States Supreme Court that the Railroad Retirement Act was unconstitutional. The Commonwealth & Southern Co. reports a deficit, after dividends on Preferred shares, totalling \$263,100 for the quarter ended September 30, against a loss of \$85,500 during the corresponding period of last year. The Auburn Motor Co. reports a loss of \$679,000 for the quarter ended August 31, against a loss of \$354,100 in the corresponding quarter of last year. The Continental Can Co.'s earnings for the 12 months ended September 30 totalled \$6.67 per share, against \$3.59 the previous year. Third-quarter earnings of the National Biscuit Co. totalled 35 cents per share, against 59 cents per share in the same period of last year. The Phillips Petroleum Co.'s third-quarter earnings totalled 41 cents per share, against 39 cents during the corresponding quarter of last year. The Caterpillar Tractor Co. has declared an extra dividend of 50 cents per share. Average daily production of crude oil amounted to 2,379,000 barrels during the week ending October 20, compared with 2,422,000 barrels the previous week. The American Water Works' earnings for the 12 months ended September 30 totalled \$1.09 per share, against \$1.35 per share the previous year. The Commercial Solvents Corp.'s third-quarter earnings amounted to 23 cents per share, against 24 cents per share during the same quarter of last year. Business done: 770,000.

New York and Chicago commodity reports received through Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz: Cotton: The "spot" situation was reflected in Trade buying and weighing hedge selling. A better tone is probable in all markets tomorrow on the United States Supreme Court's decision regarding the Railroad Retirement Act, unless President Roosevelt's speech to-night proves to be disappointing.

Grains: The market was two-sided and is still largely under the influence of foreign advices. We doubt if there will be any sustained advance at present.

Rubber: The Trade was inclined to purchase while the primary markets were not pressing sales. A steadier tone was in evidence.

Dow-Jones Averages:

30 Industrials	94.65	95.60
20 Rails	35.45	37.60
20 Utilities	19.66	19.90
40 Bonds	93.74	93.86
41-Commodity Index	57.90	58.07

### 17 Leading Stocks.

Amer. Can.	102.32	Oct. 24.
Amer. Smelt & Ref.	36.4	
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	111.6	
Auburn	26.3	
J.I. Case	48.5	
Du Pont	94	
Elec. Bond & Share	10.5	
General Motors	30.9	
Int. Tel. & Tel.	10	
McIntyre	44.4	
Montgomery Ward	28.3	
Nat. Distillers	22.5	
N.Y. Central	23.5	
Socony-Vacuum	13.4	
Union Pacific	104.4	
U.S. Steel	34.5	
West E. & M.	32.4	

## PRINCE MAROONED AT CANBERRA

### Country Flooded By Sudden Storm

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Canberra, Oct. 25. The Duke of Gloucester is marooned in Government House here, which is surrounded by miles of swirling water, as a result of phenomenal rains which fell during the night.

The floods have isolated Canberra and roads and railway bridges are completely submerged. Two bridges on the Royal Train's route south have been declared unsafe for traffic.—*United Press.*

## LOST FLIER FOUND IN DESERT GAOL

(Continued from Page 1.)

Of those still left in the race, the winners, Scott and Black, have the lowest allowance, 35 minutes 24 seconds.

### END OF VOYAGE.

Melbourne, Oct. 25. Cathcart Jones and K. F. H. Waller arrived in Melbourne at 4.59 p.m.—*Reuter.*

### YOUTHFUL CONTESTANT.

Calcutta, Oct. 25. C. J. Melrose, the 20-year-old airman, arrived here at 2.39 p.m.—*Reuter.*

### AT SINGAPORE.

Singapore, Oct. 25. J. D. Hewett and C. E. Kay have arrived here, landing at 4.14 p.m. They will push on immediately.—*Reuter.*

### TWO AT RANGOON.

Rangoon, Oct. 25. Squadron Leader Stodart arrived at 2.12 p.m. and at 3.50 p.m. Lieut. M. Hansen landed.—*Reuter.*

### OFF TO DARWIN.

Batavia, Oct. 25. Squadron Leader McGregor arrived here at 2.51 p.m. and left for Darwin at 3.31 p.m.—*Reuter.*

## NIGHTS GETTING COLD

### EXCUSE FOR THEFT OF SACKS

"The nights are getting cold," pleaded Fung Sang, 24, who was charged before Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy this morning with stealing ten sacks from the new Hongkong and Shanghai building site.

Sub-Inspector Mist said defendant gained entry to the site at 4 p.m. yesterday when the day workers were knocking off and the night workers were starting work. Defendant, who had a previous conviction last September for larceny, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

## BRITISH GOVT. STOCKS

### STRONG DEMAND CONTINUES

London, Oct. 24. With the exception of gilt-edged issues, most sections of the stock markets were subdued to-day.

British Government stocks were in strong demand and War Loan 3½ per cent. moved to the high level of 106 at the close.

Consol Fours rose to a new high record of 114.3/16.—*British Wireless.*



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# BEACH CLUB GIRL

By MABEL McELLIOTT

## CHAPTER XXXIX

Boots went back to the little apartment she shared with Frances, and which Frances had occupied alone before her coming. Briefly she explained the situation. Frances was all sympathy, all understanding. Naturally Boots wanted to be with her people if they needed her. Boots glanced across the gay and colourful room in which she had been so happy. By contrast with the shabby house in Larchmont it was a particularly inviting air. All the soft hued lamps were lighted. Frances, in vivid pajamas of varicoloured silk, toasted herself before the fire.

"I'm sorry, honey. I guess there's nothing else to do." Frances cocked her bird-like dark head up at her.

Boots had her bags packed. The furniture all belonged to Frances. There were prints on the bed-room wall, one Boots had admired and Edward had bought for her. "I'll take this," she said. "It'll remind me of our good times."

Her old room with its wide windows looked sparse and shabby now, but it had a welcoming air. Florida had put an ivy plant on the hanging shelf and Mrs. Ruchman had put up clean curtains. They were so glad to see Boots that it hurt. She was ashamed that anything she might do would so affect anyone. Her father turned in his chair to see her come in. She kissed his thin, faded cheek. Presently, the doctor said, he might try to take a few steps but for the moment his just was here by the front window, watching the world go by.

It was strange taking her place again in this old, familiar world; seeing the same faces, hearing the same voices; realizing the old order of things still prevailed, no matter what her personal earthquake had been. Showers were still given for engaged girls, Jealousies and rivalries were still rife in club and society. The evening dance, now impending, embraced a host of small storms and quakes and misgivings. Isabel told her about it all. Isabel now belonged to "the old girls."

Sylvia Rivers, Boots learned, had been abroad. She would be back "any day now." The thought of Sylvia left Boots unmoved. It seemed ages ago, centuries, that she had envied Sylvia, had hated and resented her. She went back and forth to the city every day. On the train she was absorbed in her newspaper and her lists. Sometimes Edward drove her home and was tender and interested and concerned all the way. She didn't see Denis. Although she longed to have news of him she sedulously avoided mention of his name. That was a madness, she assured herself, that she had put behind her.

"Why do you do this?" Edward complained one night when he found her particularly white and tired. It had been a long, tiring day at the Hay Tree. Frances had been kept at home with a sick headache and several special orders had come in, along with a really unusual press of business.

"Why not marry me and step right out of it all?" Edward urged with impatience.

Boots could not—would not explain the situation at home. Her pride would not permit it. To have Edward offering to subsidize her parents would be most humiliating. Besides, she felt definitely that this

was not the way out—marriage. She had slipped into it before as a means of escape from life that she hated. She was more mature, more sturdy now; she would not make that mistake again.

So she put him off. Not just now, she said. And Edward had to be content with that.

The coal bill, the light bill, groceries—it cost so much to live! The old house absorbed her small stipend greedily while her mother bewailed the necessity daily almost hourly. On the last day of November the old boiler collapsed and Boots, in despair, summoned the local furnace man who had always served them. He spent an hour in the basement figuring, considering. A new boiler would be \$200.

"We can't pay it," Boots said with the calmness of utter despair.

"I'll take your note, Miss Boots," said Mr. Derringer who knew the family well.

The furnace was repaired and Boots signed the note. She cut down on lunches. She mended her worn stockings painstakingly. She raged inwardly at the knowledge that her frail mother travelled over to the Exchange with the dozens of rolls in trays. How did people get money? She marvelled. It seemed to her that they had never had enough, really, but things had never been so bad as this. She looked about her at the people they knew. No wonder most of the husbands and fathers looked tired and harried with the strain of it.

Life was quiet in the big house. Occasionally Isabel ran over for an evening's gossip. Once Johnny came in, rather embarrassedly, to call. But he was obviously awed by Boots' new status and went away. Boots found, moreover, that she had little to say to her contemporaries now. They seemed to move in a different world.

She passed Mrs. Fernell on the street one Sunday afternoon and the older woman bowed curiously. She seemed to catch the flash of challenge but Boots went on her way coolly. She was not to be drawn into conversation with her old enemy. With sharpened vision and perceptions, she realized there was nothing Mrs. Fernell would have enjoyed so much as a resume of the whole affair. She would have liked the girl to grovel in spirit, saying, "You were perfectly right and I learned my lesson."

"If she thinks she's going to patronize me all over again she's mistaken," Boots told herself coolly. She could catch the flash of challenge and frustration in the other woman's eye as she passed on. But if the encounter with Mrs. Fernell failed to hurt her, the return of Sylvia Rivers did not leave her completely untouched. Boots was waiting for her usual early morning train on the crowded station platform when she heard a high, affected voice, a gust of rippling notes of laughter. Glancing up, she saw Sylvia, wrapped in the sleekest and softest of dark mink coats, walking toward her, attended by two or three young men. Sylvia's high-heeled shoes were shining and elegant, setting off her narrow feet to perfection. Her dark hair was crowned by a fez-like cap of crushed golden brown petals. A wave of expensive scent preceded her. Boots, in her tweed coat which had seen three seasons' wear, her sturdy brogues and stockings darned at the heel, was conscious of her own

shabbiness. Sylvia's eyes flicked her once, raked past her; it was the cut direct.

Boots turned away quickly, her blood racing. It was silly, it was stupid to be hurt by the incident, she assured herself. Sylvia was ignorant, crass and cruel. But the blow stung, none the less, and all the way in to the city she read her paper with unseeing eyes, her heart burning angrily within her.

Sylvia's engagement to some young Oregonian was announced in the village paper that week and a score of "functions" followed in the announcement's wake. Sylvia's picture, a flattering one showing the "Rivers" hulae in an evening gown of daring cut with the inevitable orchids on her shoulder, smiled forth from the society pages. The day Boots saw this particular picture she paid the first instalment on the new furnace, and had her brown shoes half soled.

"It isn't that I mind the grind," she whispered to herself, "only that I can't see my way ahead." It was becoming increasingly evident that her salary would not, could not, keep the old house going indefinitely. Every day some new need manifested itself. The plumbing was old; the roof leaked; the porch needed mending and painting.

Her mother grew thinner and more gaunt and more determinedly cheerful. Boots watched the gallant figure narrowly, fearfully.

The first snow of December fell, ushering in actual winter. Boots figuratively tightened her belt, thinking she must feel as a soldier does who faces a long siege. The invalid upstairs occupied himself with his solitaire, his books. Miss Florida came and went. She was giving music lessons now but they knew her finances were low and reluctantly accepted the small amount she gave them weekly. They could not have managed without Miss Florida. She stayed with Mr. Ruchman when his wife went to the Exchange morning and afternoon. She was invaluable both for her spirit and her physical aid. Boots, as a school girl, had been mildly tolerant of the spare, angular spinster with the rather gushing laugh. Now she thought the plain face, so beautiful and the thin hands held in them a kindness the like of which she was not likely to know again.

But it was not easy going for the girl. She had her moments of black discouragement, difficult to conceal. It was in one of these that Edward, sitting up to the shop in his big car one early winter twilight, found her. "Drop all this," he urged angrily. "Let me take care of you, of all of them. I want to do it." It was tempting. The snow fell steadily outside. Boots dared not buy the warm things she needed to keep out the mounting cold. And Edward, murmuring in her ear, talked of a warmer climate for her father, Gulf stream currents, eternal sunshine.

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#### LATEST RETURNS ENCOURAGING

London, Oct. 24.  
The money value of retail sales  
in Britain during September was  
4.1 per cent. greater than in Sep-  
tember, 1933, increases being re-  
corded for all districts.

The first eight months of the  
trading year showed an increase  
of 3.3 per cent. in total sales, as  
compared with the corresponding  
period of 1933. The value of  
stocks at the end of September was  
2.2 per cent. greater than a year  
ago, and employment was 2.7 per  
cent. higher.—*British Wireless.*

### CHIANG VISITING IN PEKING

#### STRONG GUARD ON HIGHWAY

Peking, Oct. 25.  
Accompanied by Madame  
Chiang, General Chiang Kai-shek  
arrived here at 4.45 yesterday  
afternoon, flying from Kaifeng.  
A large gathering of officials met  
the visitors. The road to the air-  
port of Nanyuan to the city was  
heavily guarded by troops and  
police.  
General Chiang last visited the  
old capital in 1929.—*Reuter.*

### BRITISH-BUILT STEAMERS

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Shanghai, Oct. 25.  
The Administration of the China  
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pany has decided to place the newly  
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*Haiheng* in the Shanghai-Canton  
service.

On their request, the Ministry of  
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the Hongkong Government asking  
for passenger-carrying permits for  
the two steamers, which were built  
in England.—*Central News.*

### PROOF OF SINCERITY?

#### NATIONAL CONGRESS DELAYED

Shanghai, Oct. 25.  
The *North China Daily News*  
states that the National Congress,  
scheduled to open on November  
12, has been postponed until March  
12, 1935.

This demonstrates the sincerity  
of the Government in its desire to  
arrive at a rapprochement with the  
Opposition leaders in the South-  
west, the paper says, and adds that  
the decision followed a meeting of  
Mr. Wang Ching-wei and Mr.  
Wang Chung-hui.—*Reuter.*

#### DECISION CONFIRMED.

Nanking, Oct. 25.  
It is confirmed that the Nation-  
al Congress has been postponed  
but the date of the assembly has  
not yet been decided.

Meanwhile the Central Ex-  
ecutive Council will hold a plenary  
meeting in Nanking on November  
12.—*Reuter.*

### SIR A. CADOGAN'S VISIT

#### MERELY EXAMINING CONDITIONS

Nanking, Oct. 25.  
Sir Alexander Cadogan, British  
Minister to China, who arrived  
here last evening from Peking,  
said in an exclusive interview that  
no specific purpose attached to  
his forthcoming visit to South  
China. He would merely inspect  
the commercial conditions and the  
life of overseas Britons in various  
cities. Nor had he any diplomatic  
mission to discuss with the Chinese  
Government, he added.

Sir Alexander is going to call  
on Mr. Wang Ching-wei and other  
Chinese diplomatic authorities  
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have served in the Colony for some  
time, there are probably several  
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with them and make them welcome.  
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Company in Hongkong, 12 Com-  
pany being moved here from  
Shanghai. In all its previous  
history in the Colony, the Corps  
had been treated as a detachment.  
In view of this, the Commanding  
Officer, Lieutenant Colonel J. E.  
Fawcett, M.C., revived interest in  
the Hongkong branch of the Re-  
gimental Association, and called a  
general meeting at which future  
plans were discussed. Great in-  
terest has been shown in the  
tennis tournaments, socials, etc.,  
held under Association auspices,  
and it would greatly add to the  
pleasure in these events if civilian  
comrades could be present. The  
R.A.S.C. seem likely to do big things  
in their own sphere of sporting  
events in the Colony, neither of  
the first teams having yet met  
with a reverse this season at foot-  
ball, hockey or cricket. It is  
hoped to add a few Hongkong  
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